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Foreign governments grade campuses

Top universities forced into new Ivy League

A BRITISH Ivy League of elite universities is beginning to emerge as foreign governments operate whitelists" of campuses to which

they are prepared to send students. Four years after the Government uprated polytechnics to create a single higher education system, such lists are combining with developments at home to open up new divisions and threaten the equal status traditionally accorded to all university degrees. In some ubjects, only a handful of British institutions have been judged good enough to join the rollcall of international excellence.

The practice of grading universi-ties is spreading rapidly among developing nations worried about the widening quality gap in Britain. This could have a devastating affect on some universities which rely on the full-cost fees paid by overseas students.

At the same time, student preferences, funding changes and employers' attitudes at home are having such an impact that a premier league is likely to be in place by the time Sir Ron Dearing next summer.

Employers are increasingly selective about the universities from which they will recruit for fasttrack training schemes. Many have abandoned the "milk round" of interviews, targeting highly-rated departments for their graduates.

Young people, too, have become more discriminating, with the leading traditional universities increasing their market share. Top-rated universities - such as Cambridge, Oxford and London's Imperial and University colleges - have seen their share of national applications increase by up to a quarter this year, while the more unfashionable insitutions have seen applications halved as a result of the new rules limiting students to six choices of institution, rather than eight.

The same minority of traditional universities also dominate official teaching and research ratings, which are likely to be used more and more to determine funding. And with budgets stretched to breaking point, vice-chancellors fear that this could lead to the quality gap widening dramatically.

Analyses in The Good University Guide, which will be published all this week in The Times, show that only 14 universities achieved more than one top rating for both teaching and research in the first 15 subjects to be assessed by the Higher Education Funding Council for England, Cambridge scored the maximum in all ten areas in which it was assessed, and Oxford matched the feat in seven.

A top rating for research can mean a difference of £250,000 a year for a science department, and the benefits will grow if a fund to develop research in new universities is phased out. The funding councils are also examining how to reward departments that do well in

the teaching ratings. But a growing number of foreign governments have already decided on a more selective approach. In Singapore, the Government has restricted the number of degrees it will recognise in medicine, law and engineering. Malaysia and Mexico

are among the others to follow suit. This could have an enormous impact as 150,000 overseas students come to Britain each year, producing more than El billion in invisible earnings, and a number of universities could not do without students from Singapore and

Singapore recognises medicine degrees from only 20 universities in the world, five of them British: Cambridge, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Oxford and London. British-edu-cated lawyers who wish to practise on the island must have their degrees from one of 15 "scheduled" universities and even Liverpool, Sheffield and Warwick - where teaching is officially rated as excellent - are excluded

Singapore's Professional Engineers Board recognises more than 50 British universities, although first-class honours are required from the 12 former polytechnics on

In Mexico, the Padron List, drawn up by the government body responsible for research, determines where state scholars may study abroad. Several new universities have lobbied unsuccessfully for inclusion.

Other countries operate unpublished "whitelists" in a number of subjects. Malaysia, which sends more than \$,000 students to Britain, exercises tight control on the destination of government-sponsored students, with as few as nine universities approved in some

A funding council report on postgraduate education, to be published on Wednesday, will examine the issue in detail. Professor Martin Harris, the Vice-Chancellor of Manchester University, who chaired the review, said: These lists exercise a very powerful influence. They are a sign of other countries making explicit judg-ments that tend to be made only informally here."

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Crew may have died before jet plunged into swamp

By Quentin Letts IN NEW YORK AND HARVEY ELLIOTT

THE crew of an ageing DC-9 airliner may have been dead or unconscious before their jet plunged into the Florida Everglades killing all 109 on board, including two British tourists.

The pilot for the cut-price domestic airline Valujet told air traffic controllers that the cockpit was filling with smoke minutes after he took off from Miami for Atlanta.

As he turned back towards the airport, witnesses say the 27-yearold aircraft made a series of irrational manoeuvres, banking sharply then straightening and flying at an angle of 75 degrees into the alligator-infested swamp.

Rescuers yesterday gave up hope of finding survivors and were unable to locate anything more

Jet disappears into the mud of the Everglades Page 3

than fragments of the jet, which had recently suffered engine troubles. The two Britons were named as Roger and Devlin Loughney but identities of the other passengers and crew were being withheld until relatives were informed.

Teams trying to recover the aircraft's flight recorder, which had a radio beacon, were hampered by the muddy and inhospitable ter-Saturday, 30 minutes after take-off. Attempts to build a road across the swamp were abandoned and rescuers were considering trying to

drain the land to reach the site. Investigators want to recover the bodies of the crew and passengers to establish whether they were wearing oxygen masks and if their lungs contained enough smoke to have caused them to black out. A fire could have been caused by an electrical fault.

The crash will raise serious doubts about the safety of old jets being used by cut-price airlines and could slow down the development of similar services in Europe.

Israeli guns hit Hezbollah

Five Israeli soldiers were wounded by Hezboliah fighters in southern Lebanon, the first casualties since the USbrokered ceasefire came into effect. Within hours, Israeli artillery pounded Hezboliah targets north of the security

With less than three weeks before the electorate goes to the polls in Israel's bitterly contested general election, the resumption of violence along the last active Arab-Israeli front is set to become one of the central issues.......Page 13

Handgun ban

The Government is facing renewed calls to ban handguns in the aftermath of the Dunblane massacre. Labour has proposed to ban up to 200,000 firearms ____ Page 6



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Clarke says £1 billion beef | Tricolour welcome crisis could stop tax cuts

By JILL SHERMAN AND ANDREW PIERCE

KENNETH CLARKE last night gave his toughest warning yet that he may not be able to deliver tax cuts in this autumn's Budget after claim-ing that the beef crisis had already cost the Government at least £1 billion.

The Chancellor argued that the slaughter of calves over 30 months had severely restricted his scope for tax cuts which are in jeopardy due to higher than expected public borrowing and a mistake in tax revenue forecasts.

The cost of slaughtering cattle would come out of the £2.5 billion Treasury reserve but would make tax cuts next year "one billion pounds less likely," he said on Radio Scotland's Eye to Eye.

In a series of interviews Mr Clarke infuriated the Tory Right by suggesting that the Government should protect spending on health, education and the police rather than "bribe" the electorate with tax cuts. Ignoring the recent clamour for 2p tax cuts to turn round the Tories' fortunes, he



Forget the steak. I'll just have an omelette"

argued that elections were not won and lost on tax

Those who believe that if I took a penny off income tax we might just about have a photofinish to the election and with tuppence off we'd have a bit of a working majority and with threepence off we'd have a working majority. I think are treating the British public as

idiots. He admitted that the Government had made a "genuine mistake" at the last election by committing itself to tax cuts. and then getting into debt and having to put up taxes.

"I inherited the job of putting up taxation and we hurt people and they remember those promises and they Continued on page 2, col 1

Beef tops agenda, page 12 Children with their faces
Leading article, page 19 painted red and white perched

for United's hero

By ROBIN YOUNG

Cantona's 85th minute goal,

outnumbered banners in the

red, white and black of

Flag sellers did a roaring

trade and the top-selling items, even at E5 each, were

in places, and fans climbed

Flag-waving fans in cami-

the United ground, several

Children with their faces

shelters to get a view.

rade began.

United.

AT LEAST 100,000 Manon their fathers' shoulders and chester United fans lined the police outriders were required victorious team's route to clear a path for the team's through the south of the city open-topped bus. yesterday as they brought home the FA Cup. French tricolours in tribute to Eric

Cantona was the name on everyone's lips but there was acclaim too for Alex Ferguson and his achievement in bringing Manchester United three League championships in four seasons and a record ninth victory in the FA Cup. The club's feat of achieving the double of the FA Cup and the League for a second time is

flags proclaiming "Eric the King". The crowd was 20 deep Today Wembley stadium officials and the Football Assotrees, lamp-posts and bus ciation will be studying video footage of incidents which val mood began lining the married the presentation of route, which took the team bus the Cup, when Liverpool supporters appeared to spit at within a few hundred yards of Cantona and throw a punch at hours before the victory pa-Alex Ferguson.

> Hooligan control, page 8 Cup final, pages 23, 27

Hall of hope and glory wins £40m lottery money

By ALEXANDRA FREAN MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THE Albert Hall, the home of the Proms, pop concerts and sporting events, is expected to receive £40 million of lottery money this week from the Arts Council and the Nat-

ional Heritage Memorial Fund. The grant will bring the total amount of lottery money awarded to good causes to £1.5 billion but is likely

to fuel discontent over the amount of cash going to arts projects in London. Schemes to have benefited include the Royal Opera House (£78 million), the Tate's Bankside Gallery (£50 million), Sadler's Wells Theatre (£30 million) and the Royal Court Theatre (£16 million). In an attempt to pre-empt criticism the Albert Hall is emphasising its role as "Britain's village hall".

The lottery grant, which is expected

to be boosted by E17 million raised by the Albert Hall, will enable the first major refurbishment of the building which was the brainchild of Prince Albert and built with the proceeds of the Great Exhibition of 1851.

The work is expected to include returning the top balcony to its original use as an art gallery and improving the line of vision of around 500 of the balcony seats. More space will be created for the public to

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rants, cafes, shops and hospitality

rooms. Mr Deuchar wants to open the

building during the day as an arts



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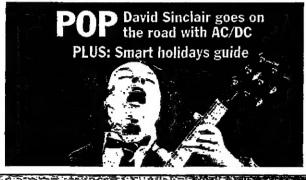


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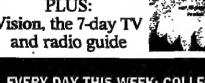


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McGuinness hint raises hopes of a new ceasefire

MARTIN McGUINNESS. Sinn Fein's chief negotiator, signalled yesterday that the IRA was considering a renewed ceasefire to allow republicans to join all-party talks on June 10.

Amid intense speculation about the IRA's strategy, Mr McGuinness said he would call for a new ceasefire if John Major gave an assurance that the talks would be "real and meaningful". He insisted that the Prime Minister should also give an undertaking that the arms issue would not hold up talks and that Unionists would not be allowed to block

Mr McGuinness, who is respected by IRA hardliners, said on ITV's Jonathan Dimbleby programme: "If the British Government are prepared to say that, and if the British Government are prepared to accept the reality that the decommissioning issue isn't going to be resolved that easily . . . then I think that we can go again to the IRA and

He added that the IRA were open to persuasion" and that he "desperately" wanted to see a new ceasefire. He said: "If there are to be real and meaningful peace negotiations . . . beginning on June 10, then I am passionately of the opinion that they must take place in a peaceful atmosphere. That means securing a second IRA ceasefire."

Mr McGuinness also held out hope when he gave a guarded welcome to the suggestion by Dick Spring, Ire-land's Deputy Prime Minister, that disarmament should be discussed separately from the main talks.

There is considerable uncertainty on both sides of the Irish border about the IRA's intentions. Senior members of the Irish Republic's opposition Fianna Fail party, who have had regular talks with Sinn Fein, are understood to be pessimistic about the chances of a renewed ceaselife. They were told that senior republi-cans are wary of being sucked into a process dominated by Britain and the Unionists.

A total of 24 parties will contest the May 30 Ulster election to a 110-member forum. Parties elected to the forum will appoint delegates to the all-party talks.

☐ Russia's intelligence services are ready to inform Britain and Ireland about IRA arms supplies from the Baltic epublic of Estonia to IRA, ITAR-TASS news agency said Sunday. The Estonian foreign ministry denied



The Rev Ian Paisley campaigning in Larne yesterday

Paisley hits the campaign trail

THE Rev Ian Paisley's cavalcade swept across Northern Ireland over the weekend; the Democratic Unionist leader has begun campaigning for this month's elections for allparty talks well ahead of his political rivals (Nicholas Watt

In the centre of Coleraine. Co Londonderry, on Saturday afternoon, a beaming Mr Paisley made for white haired ladies as they did their shop-ping. "Hallo ladies," Mr Paisley declared as he handed out his party leaflet. "I will feel so much better if you give me the kiss of life on May 30 to fight the battle."

Mr Paisley took the delighted pensioners aside to confide in them about the other battle he has to wage every day. They chuckled as he said: This morning I told my wife that I hoped she was not going to be hard on me today. She told me to shut up, and so I told her that if only people

would get more sympathy."

A veteran of 17 Northern Ireland elections, Mr Paisley,

who was 70 last month, is at his best on the stump. The rabble-rousing voice is nowhere to be heard and the jabbing finger is replaced by a warm handshake. He left the tough political message to his party colleagues as they toured loyalist housing estates on the outskirts of Coleraine

Three vans, decorated with pictures of Mr Paisley and blaring out loyalist pipe-band music, acted as a warm-up for "the Doc" who followed in a truck. Peter Robinson, the party's MP for East Belfast. and the Rev William McCrea. MP for Mid-Ulster, took it in turns to announce their leader's arrival "Vote DUP and show Ulster's enemies we are not defeated. We give you hope", Mr Robinson said. A party aide whispered: "and no

Watchdog calls for inquiry into jail brutality

By STEWART TENDLER

THE board of visitors at Wandsworth jail in south London is calling for an urgent Home Office inquiry into increasing allegations by in-mates of assault and bullying by prison officers.

In its annual report the board, an independent watchdog appointed by the Home Office to check prisoners' conditions and complaints, says that in 1994 there were 93 complaints against staff, and last year the figure rose to 100 and involved 43 officers and 77 allegations of assault. One officer faced complaints from five different prisoners. Three officers each faced three sepa-rate allegations and a further three were each accused of two

After monitoring com-plaints made by inmates against staff over the past two years, the board is urging Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, to set up an investi-gation into conditions at the

Officials have aiready told the board that complaints are treated seriously and investi-gated, but the visitors say they remain worried by the level of the complaints.

The Rev Martin Clarke, the board of visitors' chairman, said that the complaints first began to emerge three years ago. At the time no records were kept and the board arranged for them to be made after prisoners coming forward with allegations of

brutality. More than 80 of last year's allegations were later withdrawn or unsubstantiated, and only five led to formal action. Mr Clark said that it was difficult for prisoners to prove their cases and that no officer had been found guilty. He said prison officers did not have to answer questions and could simply make a statement denying that they had made the assaults.

The worst case involved a prisoner who said he was assaulted and had photographs to show the bruising. He said he was attacked when he was searched for drugs after a visit. However, he later began to change his story and the allegations were dropped.

Mr Clark said there was concern that weak and feeble prisoners might be picked on. On the other hand, many of the allegations arose from searches for drugs after visits and the prison officers said that the inmates became violent when confronted with drugs found on them.

The prison holds up to 1,690 remand and convicted prisoners.

NEVSIKERIE Labour to spell out £1.5bn plan for young

Tony Blair and Gordon Brown will unveil a £1.5 billion package of proposals this week to eradicate youth unemployment and to give all over-16s access to education or training. The Labour leader will announce an ambitious deal for "Britain's lost generation" as part of a co-ordinated programme to combat youth crime and ensure that more youngsters stay on at school.

youngsters stay on at school.

The package would be partly funded from a windfall tax on privatised utitilies, although some money could come from Mr Brown's plans to scrap child benefit for 16 to 18 year olds, which would raise up to £700 million. Mr Brown will also give further details of his scheme to withdraw 40 per cent of benefit from youngsters who fail to take up one of four training or employment opportunities within four weeks.

Primary tests start

More than 600,000 11-year-olds will begin tests today intended to produce the first primary league tables next March. But the National Association of Head Teachers will advise members to urge school governors not to submit the results for publication. The union claims that the Government reneged on a commitment not to compile league tables until the tests had bedded down.

Church drug survey

Young people with a church upbringing are as likely to take drugs as those from non-Christian families, a survey published today say. Of more than 7,500 church-going young people questioned, nearly half of those offered drugs had tried them. The figures, from the Evangelical Alliance. a Christian umbrella group, are similar to those in secular surveys. There was little under-age drinking, however.

Simpson unabashed

O.J. Simpson played a round of golf in Surrey yesterday before the television interview tonight that has brought him to Britain. As Simpson set off from his London hotel he refused to be put off by questions about the murder of his wife Nicole, of which he was cleared. He laughed when a reporter asked: "Where were you on the night of the murder?", before speeding off in a chanffeur-driven car.

School row father dies

A man whose son was at the centre of a strike threat by teachers has died of a heart attack. Philip Wilding, 56, of Nottingham, right, was admitted to hospital after complaining of chest pains at his home and collapsing He died at the Queen's Medical Centre. Teachers at Glaisdale Comprehensive called off their strike after refusing to teach Richard Wilding, 13, because of his disruptive behaviour.



Bradman breaks record

A cricket bat used by Don Bradman to score 212 against England at a Test Match in Adelaide in 1937 set a £23,000 world auction record when it was sold to an anonymous telephone buyer at Phillips in London yesterday. The bat, which was estimated at £300 to £500, was the high point of a sale built around the memorabilia of the late Brian Johnston, the BBC commentator known as Jonners.

Back in the tigers' den



The millionaire 200 owner John Aspinall playing in the tigers' cages yesterday for the first time in public since the death of a keeper at his Howletts wildlife park near Canterbury. Mr Aspinall has won an industrial tribunal case against Canterbury City Council, which wanted to ban keepers from entering tiger enclosures after Trevor Smith

Eight share jackpot

Eight tickets won a share of this week's National Lottery jackpot of £8.9 million, each receiving £1,115,190. A total of 16 tickets matched five balls plus the bonus ball, each winning £171,567. There were £766 winners who matched five balls for £971 each. Numbers, page 22

Beef bill may halt tax cuts

Continued from page I remember the taxes," he said on BBCi's On the Record.

The Chancellor conceded that public borrowing was higher than he had expected and the Treasury had made a mistake in its revenue forecasts and had less tax coming in than had been predicted.

While not ruling out tax cuts in the Budget, Mr Clarke said that he would only deliver them if the Government could afford them and if it was in the interests of the economy.

Mr Clarke's comments drew a furious response from rightwingers who claimed it as time the Chancellor

"grasped the nettle" on public

Meanwhile Cabinet divisions resurfaced over Britain's negotiating tactics over trying to lift the European ban on British beef. While Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, signalled on GMTV's Sunday programme that he would back retaliatory action. Mr Clarke said he was opposed to "political gesturing" to solve the beef crisis.

On Wednesday, the European standing veterinary committee will vote on the European Commission's proposal to ease restrictions on beef products, including semen, gelatin and tallow. If the ban stays, Britain will have another chance to lift it at the council of agricultural ministers on May 20. In his visit to London this week, President Chirac is expected to come under pressure from John Major to side with Britain.

Gavin Strang, Shadow Agriculture Minister, last night criticised the Government for failing to investigate the fact that 67 per cent of BSE cases was in cattle born after the ban on feed containing BSE agents imposed in 1988.

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Slaughtered cattle may be burnt at power stations

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY **AGRICULTURE** CORRESPONDENT

BURNING the remains of cattle as fuel in power stations is being seriously considered by the Government because the animals can no longer be

Cattle over 30 months old, regarded as more likely to be infected with "mad cow" disease, are being slaughtered under a £630 million scheme to keep them out of the food chain and restore consumer

confidence in beef. The Ministry of Agriculture expects the much-delayed scheme, which began formally on May 1, to become "fully operational" to-day. Up to 25,000 cattle will being killed every week.

Farmers said yesterday they wanted cattle to be killed at an even faster rate to clear the backlog of at least 150,000 unsaleable animals and enable them to start receiving compensation. Farmers will be paid on average between £480 and £800 per animal. Bill Rodney, 49, a beef farmer from Healey, North Yorkshire, who was found dead outside a barn last week after apparently turning his shotgun on himself, was said yesterday by relatives to have been under stress because of uncertainty over the future of

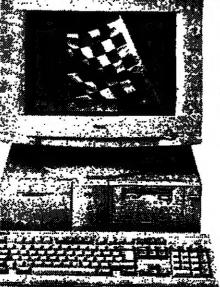
Ken Rodney, the dead man's brother, said: "We have got a load of cattle over the age of 30 months but we still do not know when we will be able to get rid of them. It looks to me as if this was preying on Bill's

his herd.

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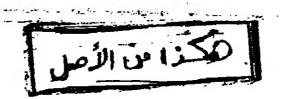




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Jet disappears in quicksand of the Everglades

FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN NEW YORK

FLECKS of white wreckage and some blackened grass in the marshlands of Florida were virtually all there was to show yesterday after the nosedive crash of a DC9 jet that killed all 109 people aboard.

Emergency workers, in a fruitless rescue exercise, were perplexed and appalled by a crash which has left almost no remains. It appeared that **Nature Flight 592 either exploded into smithereens when it hit the ground on Saturday afternoon or was quickly sucked below the mud and waters of the treacherous Everglades. A few shards of fuselage measuring no more than six feet were all that was left of the aircraft.
Witnesses said that the

doorned plane plummeted at a 75 degree angle. "It was terrible. Nothing could have survived that," said Daniel Muclhaupt a local flying instructor who had been giving a lesson. "I thought it was doing a manoeuvre but it didn't pull up and, wham!" he said. Mr Muelhaupt flew immediately to the scene of the crash and his pupil Rick Delisle used field glasses to search for survivors, but could see no one.

The crash was also watched by an angler, Chris Osceola. "I said, 'it's goma crash' and then, boom!" he said yesterday. The impact threw up a massive, mushroom-shaped cloud of mud, smoke and

A US Coast Guard helicopter en route from an airshow to Miami was in the vicinity and flew at once to the crash site. Lieutenant Commander Mark Feldman said: "We were really surprised at the lack of debris. We were told it was a DC9, but from what we saw we simply could not believe it. There w clothing, nothing else, and nothing we could do." The 27-year-old jet, owned

crashes in slow motion was condemned as voyenristic yesterday. Air Disasters has the same executive producer as the controversial Police Stop! videos. Some crashes are shown over and over again and there are scenes of military aircraft crashing into crowds at air shows. "How often do you need to show a crash? The whole thing is voyeuristic." said William Beckett, co-chairman of Scisafe, which was formed after the 1985 Manchester air disaster in which his daughter Sarah, 18, died. Fifth Estate Video, maker of Air Disasters, said the

48-minute video made im-

portant claims about air

safety. "How can you get the message about safety

across if you don't show

the discount airline Valulet, had a recent history of engine troubles. Since 1994 it had made seven post-takeoff returns to airports after reporting mechanical snags such as oil leaks and hydraulic pump failures. Last year, it made an emergency landing at Memphis. Tennessee, because of sudden loss of

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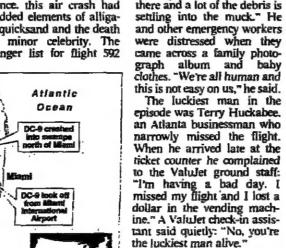
smoke in the cabin. The plane vanished from radar screens at 2.25pm, 30 minutes after it left for Atlanta, Georgia.

Salvage teams were frus-trated by the muddy terrain. The Everglades wetlands cov-er some 5,000 square miles of the land west of Miami and many parts are inaccessible. Robert Francis, of the National Transportation Safety Board, said: This is not going to be the friendliest environment to do an accident investigation."

By yesterday afternoon workers had still to retrieve the DC9's "black box" flight recorder, which was equipped with a radio beacon. Bulldozers started to beat a path to the crash site to allow heavylifting machinery a chance to reach the area, but the roadbuilding exercise had to be called off because of the marshiness of the land.

In many places the water was no more than three feet deep but the mud underfoot was thick and glutinous and threatened to suck men and machines under.

Amid the usual rituals of emergency helicopters, the evident distress of victims' relations and the heavy press presence, this air crash had the added elements of alligators, quicksand and the death of a minor celebrity. The passenger list for flight 592



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showed that Rodney Culver, a running back with the San public address. Counsellors Diego Chargers American football team, had been on were on hand to comfort the overcome that he collapsed Luis Fernandez, a rescue dropping the large bouquet of worker, said: "There were a lot carnations he had bought to of alligators and snakes in

greet a loved one. President Clinton offered his condolences to the victims' families from a White House still bruised by the death in an air crash of the former Commerce Secretary Ron Brown. "All Americans join Hillary and me in offering our hopes and prayers to the families and friends of those aboard the ValuJet," he said in a

Valulet has suffered a number of safety scares in recent months. In January another of its ageing DC9s hit a snow drift at Dulles Airport in Washington while a third plane became stuck in mud at Atlanta airport. In February a ValuJet aeroplane left the runand in March an emergency





A helicopter flies over the spot where the ValuJet DC9 went down in Florida. Below, helpless volunteers watch the sun set on the Everglades

Lifesaver earns precious reward

By A STAFF REPORTER

A TAIWANESE millionaire showed his gratitude to the British couple who saved him from drawning by sending them his gold credit card with instructions to book a luxury

holiday. Howell Chou was spotted floating motionless in the Caribbean by Mel and Philipa Feldman. The 75-year-old, who owns a computer company in Taipei, had got into difficulties while swimming.

Mr Feldman, a barber from Bury, Greater Manchester, pulled the businessman from the sea and summoned medical help. "He was lifeless and the lifeguards began working on him," he said. "He coughed up a load of water but did not regain consciousness. He was given oxygen and stretchered to the ship's hospital, then airlifted by helicopter to a hospital in Miami."

Mr and Mrs Feldman were on the same cruise as Mr Howell. The rescue happened while the ship was moored off the Bahamas. The people he was travelling with took my name and address and he contacted me some weeks later to say he had fully recovered and was back home." Mr

Feldman said. "He visited us in Bury to say thank you in person and brought us some lovely gifts. Then he invited us over and sent his gold card with a letter of authorisation so we could book a holiday at his expense."

The couple, who have just returned from their trip, spent five days in the Taiwanese capital where they travelled everywhere in their host's limousine. At a banquet in their honour they are from gold plates with gold-tipped chopsticks.

From Taipei they flew to Hong Kong. Singapore and Bali. "It was a fantastic gesture of kindness. We had a wonderful time. It was some-thing we would only have dreamed about in the past. We never expected he would be so kind. A phone call or letter

Sky's the limit for romantic groom

BY RUSSELL JENKINS

A BRIDEGROOM indulged in a long-held flight of fancy yesterday when he exchanged wedding rings with his fiancee in a 40-seater jet 2,000 feet above St Paul's Cathedral.

Milan Chhatrisha, 26, a commercial insurance underwriter from Leicester, married Komal, 24, according to the traditions of the Hindu wedding service. He said: "We had to get special flight permission to circle above the cathedral, but we wanted to get married precisely there because it is such a romantic

"I have been wanting to do this since I was a pupil at boarding school. It is a dream I have been waiting all my lifetime to fulfil. It is real

fairytale stuff." Traditional wedding fare replaced the in-flight menu but cutting the three-tier wedding cake had to wait until the couple were back on the ground. The ceremonies were completed at a marquee at Coventry airport and at an

Indian resturant in Leicester run by the bride's guardian. Mr Chhatrisha had flown to the airport by helicopter and his bride arrived in a white Rolls-Royce. They walked along a red carpet through an arch of flowers to the plane.

Rajesh Chouhan, who runs an Asian wedding service in east London, knows of one Indian from the sub-continent who hired a Boeing 747 for the service, but he believes that Milan and Komal have created a precedent for Britishbased Hindus. The most lavish wedding of

recent times was in January last year when three members of Britain's richest Asian family, the Hindujas, were married in Bombay. Sri Chand. 61, the head of the family who runs a El billion business empire, showered the 10,000 guests from 58 countries with 20 baskets of rose petals as they arrived at the Royal Western Turf Club. A staff of 1.200 served a vegetarian

Cat lover goes for broke in Greece

BY LIN JENKINS

A WOMAN who has devoted the past five years to the welfare of cats in Greece has spent the last of her savings to bring 37 of them back to Britain, Christina Morison, 45, scraped together every last penny to put the cats through six months of quarantine before finding new homes for

Many bear the battle scars of life on the streets of Athens. Two of them have only three legs, two are blind, and others 2 have one eye. Even with discounts for

block bookings and another for compassion, Miss Morison is faced with a bill of more than E22,000.

The animals are spending their quarantine period to ensure they are clear of rabics in Marlborough, Wiltshire, and Maidenhead, Berkshire. They are housed three to a pen and tended daily.

holiday in Greece she was Miss Morison visits them



Christina Morison visiting one of the cats yesterday

from her home in Ealing, west London, at weekends, but in the week she is busy job hunting. The cattery fees and the air fares, albeit at a generous discount from Swissair, have seen her bank balance dwindle to nothing. Five years ago while on

deeply moved by the plight of the country's cats. She abandoned her job as an analyst programmer at a market research company, let her home and set up a charity. The Greek Cat Welfare Society is now well established, sending British vets to the Greek islands to neuter cats as well as financing veterinary care on the mainland. The main problem is that they don't neuter their cats," Miss Morison said. "They think it's against nature. They can't see an animal's sex life

as being different from hu-

The problem of stray cats is compounded by a law forbidding the humane destruction of healthy animals, a ban on animals on public transport

and expensive vets' fees. Of the 37 cats - aged from ten weeks to 13 years when they arrived — 17 have already found homes to go to. Others will remain with Miss Morison. "I am still looking for homes for those I know would prefer living in households

with fewer animals," she said.

The charity is now in the control of local cat lovers, and Miss Morison is returning to paid employment. I came back because I have run out of have taken the last of it."



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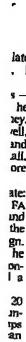
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Pop idols indulge their fantasy in charity football festival

By JOE JOSEPH

FOR those to whom the names Damon, Jarvis and Liam mean nothing, it was as if the Beatles, the Rolling Stones, the Who, and Gerry and the Pacemakers were all playing football together on a spring Sunday in 1965.

Some of the biggest names in music, including Oasis's Liam Gallagher, Blur's Damon Albarn and Jarvis Cocker of Pulp turned up at a sports stadium in east

London yesterday to play soccer for charity — and at the unusually early hour of 10.30am.

The Mile End Stadium was like Loaded magazine made flesh: just lads, footie, music, babes and booze. Not so much Men Behaving Badly, maybe, as just Men Playing Football Badly.

Albarn and Gallagher even made a show of walking hand-inhand on to the pitch, sparking speculation of a Britpop reconciliarushed off to sign autographs for the thousands of screaming teenage speciators whenever the other was in danger of hogging the limelight suggested that their gamesmanship might have been as asiduous off the field as on.

Liam Gallagher is frontman to one of the world's biggest-selling bands. Oasis's following has swelled so dramatically that it has been forced to add a second autumn concert at Knebworth after selling out the first date

within hours and Gallagher milked the indulgence teen girls give to their hero of the moment. In the absence of his brother and fellow Oasis-member Noel, Liam took on the full family responsibility of clowning, of teasing and snubbing the crowd; of whipping the cap from a St John Ambulanceman; of drinking beer and goofing around the pitch. He even man-

aged to score a goal. But while Oasis and Blur might rule the pop charts, they failed to make as big a success of Britsoc as that have of Britpop. Both bands— who requested that they should not face each other in the early rounds of the six-a-side contest for fear of inciting brawls among their rival fans - made a selfless contribution to law and order by both getting knocked out in the first round of the tournament, organised in aid of the Nordoff-

Robbins Music Therapy Centre.

jet-lagged Jarvis ("I came back from holiday in Hawaii yester-day") came off the substitutes' bench at half-time, wearing a No 5 shirt. Cocker, looking like the spindly schoolboy who always gets picked last for any team, loped around the pitch like a man whose joints had not been securely bolted together. But his enthusiasm for the sport of common people made up for his lack of ball control. Luckily, most band members

merly of Take That, made sure that he was never knowingly underfor pre-teen adulation that he visited different batches of screaming girls every seven minutes.

Albarn, who was the sole band

since those that did speak made most footballers sound like Witt-

member on his team, said: "The rest of the band aren't fit enough.

Undergraduate plays down dramatic debut

FROM DALYA ALBERGE IN CANNES

A CAMBRIDGE student seminar, recalled: "I just hapwhose first screenplay has been snapped up by a leading British film company is swot-ting for his finals while producers promote his work with stars at the Cannes Film

Casper Berry, 22, from Newcastle upon Tyne, is taking anthropology at Girton College, and few of his fellow students know of his other role. He said: "I don't talk about it much. It's boring when anyone goes on about

His script Downtime, an "action love story", is to be filmed by Scala Productions with a £1.5 million budget. Previous Scala hits include Scandal, The Crying Game and Mona Lisa - which makes the company's commitment to an unknown student

all the more extraordinary.
His talent was spotted by Richard Johns, 31, a producer who founded Pilgrim Films in 1994 with Bharat Nalluri, 31, as director. They made commercials and drama for television, including Driven, a 30-minute thriller for Tyne Tees, Yorkshire and Granada Television. Their work won awards from the Royal Tele-

vision Society, among others. Mr Johns, who approached Nik Powell of Scala Productions at a Newcastle film



Johns: made contact

pened to walk him back to the station and I just happened to have a script with me. The three-hour trip from Newcastle to London was

Mr Powell said that he read it on the train and knew immediately that this was a talent to watch: "On the basis of his work to date, he is going to be a successful writer for the

He described the script as a "contemporary emotional drama" set in a tower-block in northeastern England. An action sequence in a lift, he said, "a nail-bitingly tense centrepiece. It's truly nerveracking and will you have on the edge of your seat."

Scripts tended to fall into two categories - Americanstyle action stories or character pieces - "but he has managed to combine them into a seamless, real story that is also very emotional and

funny".

Downtime is the story of a single mother, who lives in an inner-city tower block, and a divorced police psychologist. They meet after she threatens to commit suicide by jumping from her window: he coaxes her down and their relationship develops.

Mr Berry, whose father is a doctor and whose mother trained as a teacher at the Central School of Speech and Drama, said that he wanted it to be a film about people whose lives are set against a background of crime, but who live honest lives like 99 per cent of the population".

He researched it extensive-

ly, working with a housing association and studying criminology and epilepsy as background characters.

"I'm very keen for this to be seen as utterly real," he said. But it's not a social document. I wanted it to be grounded in real psychology."

It will be filmed this sum-

mer for a release in the middle of next year.

Tarantino attacked for using N-word

By Dalya Alberge, arts correspondent

SPIKE LEE, the black American director who has often provoked racial debate on and off screen, yesterday attacked Quentin Tarantino, the white American director, for using the word nigger in his films. Lee said he had counted 28

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instances in Pulp Fiction, the violent crime movie starring John Travolta, and many others in such films as Reservoir Dogs. Lee said at Cannes. where his comedy Girl 6 is receiving its world premiere: "I don't like his use of the word nigger. That word is not cool at all.

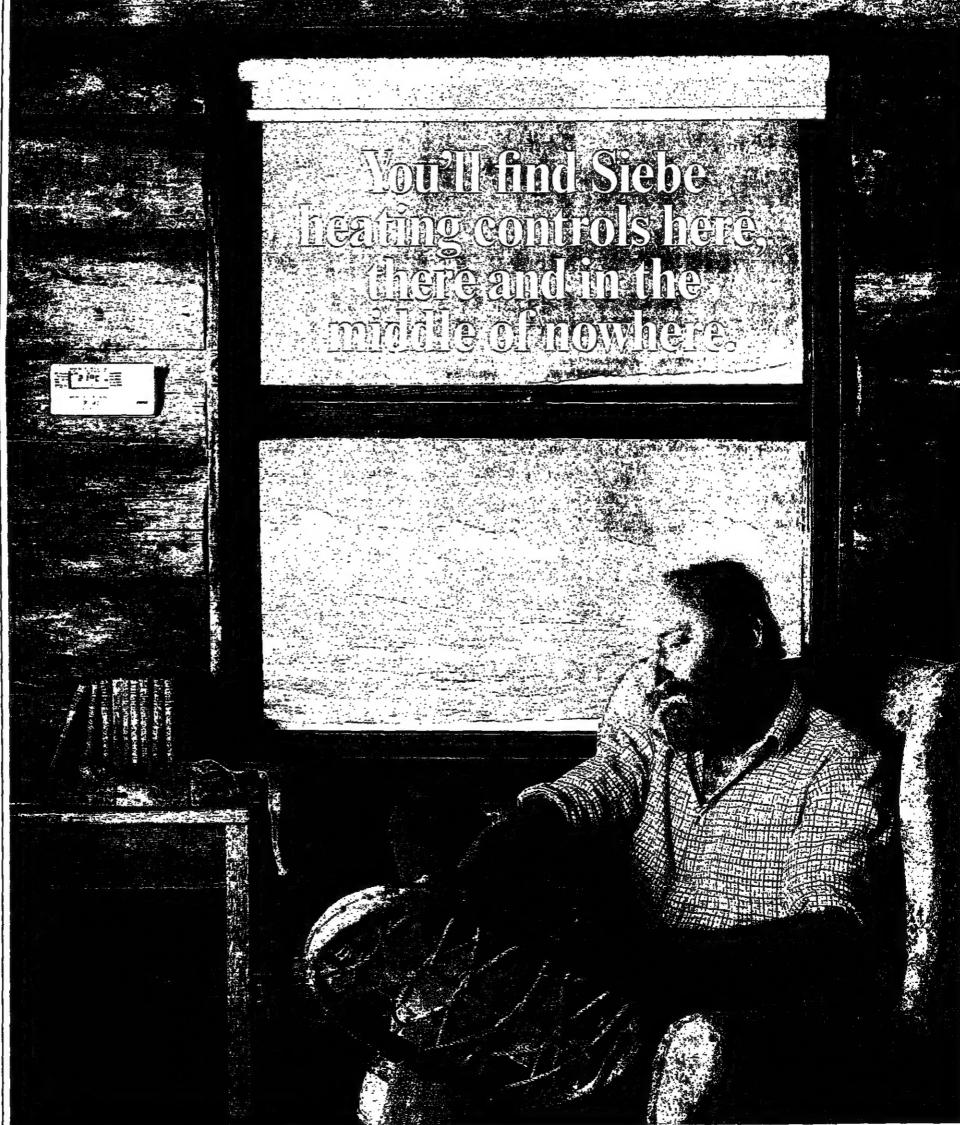
He said that he and Denzil Washington, the black American actor, had broached the subject with Tarantino. I don't think he had really understood that the word is dangerous. Denzil and I explained it to him. I think he understands it now. Hopefully, in the future, he will not use that word." But he said that

despite his concern he had had no qualms about asking Tarantino to take a cameo role in Girl 6. "Quentin Tarantino is a very fine young director. My only problem is his use of the word nigger. One has nothing to do with the other."

Lee also attacked discrimination in the American film industry. "Look at the Academy Awards. This year, out of 166 non-foreign language Oscar competitors, only one went

to a black artist." For that reason, he said, he had sought only black financial backers for his next film. Get on the Bus, a \$2.4 million civil rights movie inspired by last year's One Million Men

March Girl 6, the story of a young unemployed black actress who becomes an anonymous phone-sex operator, stars Madonna as the boss of the service. She has flown into Cannes for the premiere.



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A GIRL aged 14 is to be mayoress of a west Wales market town, keeping up a family tradition. Melanie Harries's great grandparents were mayor and mayoress three times, and her grand-

When Brian, her father, was elected Mayor of Narberth, Dyfed, he asked Melanie to be his escort. Mr Harries is divorced

from Melanie's mother so Melanic seemed the obvious choice. "I know she's young but the job's in her blood." the 46-year-old office worker said. "She's very mature for her age and I know she'll do

me proud."

Melanie, who was presented with her chains of office last week and will attend her first function — the Mayor Making Ball — tomorrow, said: "I couldn't believe it when dad asked me. I thought the council might think I was a bit young, but everyone has been really nice. My friends didn't believe that I was going to be mayoress at first, but now they're all green



Melanie Harries trying out her chain of office with her school uniform

Labour gun review adds to pressure on Howard

MINISTERS were under pressure from senior Tory MPs last night to bring forward laws on gun control to try to outflank the Labour Party, which today will pub-lish proposals to remove up to 200,000 firearms from circulation.

Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, has rejected the pleas and reiterated that any legislation would be delayed until after Lord Cullen's report on the Dunblane massacre in

The Government is being urged to take action both by backbenchers who want immediate curbs and by those who are opposed to restrictions on the number of firearms but support a tightening of the licensing rules.

Ministers have submitted a list of 32 options to the Cullen inquiry, which begins at the end of the month. Labour will go much further today when Jack Straw, the Shadow Home Secretary, unveils proposals to ban all pistols and rifles above .22 calibre as well as automatic and semi-automatic weapons. Conservative

The Australian Government took 12 days to agree proposals to outlaw semi-automatic weapons and ban their import after a gunman slaughtered 35 people in Tasmania. It will be at least six months after the Dunblane shooting before any legislation is presented to the Commons. Critics argue that the Government is in thrall to the powerful gun lobby but ministers argue that they are opposed to knee-jerk reactions. The Government, unlike the Labour Party, appears to be reluctant to ban all handguns. About 57,000 people in England, Scotland and Wales have firearm certificates for handguns with 45,000 allowed to own more than one. The Government argues that many law-abiding owners use handguns for target shooting at clubs and should not be penalised.

Party strategists vesterday pri-vately accused Labour of trying to make political capital out of the tragedy. But the proposals have been welcomed in Dunblane and the Home Secretary has met Mr Straw to discuss a non-partisan strategy to new gun legis-lation. They agreed it made sense for Labour to publish its proposals in time to be includ-

ed in the Cullen inquiry. David Mellor, the former Home Office Minister, criticised the Government at the weekend for failing to recognise the public desire for new

Michael Colvin, chairman

of the Commons Defence Select Committee, who opposes a ban on guns, also urged decisive action. "Simple

prevent guns getting into the wrong hands. We don't need to wait for Lord Cullen for Mr Colvin, chairman of the Commons Shooting Club, had a warning for the Labour Party. "Tony Blair should be aware that shooting is one of the most popular and fastgrowing participation sports

in Britain. There are two

million people involved who

practical measures can be

brought in now which will

reassure public safety and

will not welcome having their guns removed," he said.

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Mr Straw said that Labour's proposals could be amended if they were rejected by the Cullen inquiry. He told Radio 4's The World This Weekend: "There are too many handguns and weapons in circulation. We are not doing this for votes. We are doing it for public safety."

A spokeswoman for the Dunblane Snowdrop Appeal, which was set up to campaign for new gun laws, said: "Labour's proposals go right to the core. We need legislation to prevent another Dunblane.

Mr Howard yesterday denied that the Government had been wrong-footed by Labour or had acted too slowly. "We have not ruled out any course of action. We have put forward an exhaustive list of options. It would be extremely foolish to ask Lord Cullen to look at this, pre-empt it, and not wait for a

The Prime Minister said on Friday that controls on semi-automatic weapons would be introduced after Lord Cullen made his recommendations in

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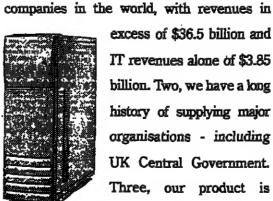
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Heritage and aid stay ahead in charity stakes

By Dominic Kennedy, social affairs correspondent

THE National Trust remains Britain's most popular and prosperous charity, with a £76 million voluntary income and £20 million from investments, according to a report by the Charities Aid Foundation published today.

Giving to charities has increased by 2 per cent in real terms in the past two years, but income from trading activities such as mail order, cards and calendars has risen by 24

Charity begins away from home for the British, whose favourite type of causes were international agencies, collecting £260 million — equivalent to 15p of every £1 donated last year. Cancer receives 12p, animal protection 7.6p and children 7.5p. Legacies rose by 2 per cent to £1 billion and now account for a third of all voluntary income, with the RNLI and RSPCA the clear However, bequests to educa-

British women do the most good works

BRITISH women put their continental counterparts to shame on voluntary work, says a survey. Among European women, 36 per cent of Britons have volunteered in the past year compared with 35 per cent of Belgians, 24 per cent of Irish, 17 per cent of Germans and 12 per cent of

Slovaks. The voluntary helper in Britain is said to be characteristically bossy and best likes to spend her time run-ning jumble sales, bazaars or charity shops.

Great Britain and the

Republic of Ireland have common features that distinguish them in the wider European context," says Justin Davis Smith, head of research and information at the Volunteer Centre UK, which conducted the study. Among men, 43 per cent of Dutch, 38 per cent of Swedes and 31 per cent of Britons were volunteers. The peak age was in their 40s and 50s.

and 51 per cent said the main benefit was enjoyment.

tional causes fell by almost 20 per cent. The report shows that only

> popular charities, that ranged from 21p at Help the Aged to 3p for the Salvation Army. When asked why they might choose to support a particular charity, 87 per cent mentioned that it should make good use

14p in each El is spent on administration and fund rais-

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of the money it receives. The biggest corporate donor was Glaxo, which made donations of £6.5 million from pretax profits of £1.8 billion. The most generous and wealthiest grant-making trust was the Wellcome Trust, which gave £240 million of its £5 billion

NHS charitable trust funds, which are increasingly used to pay for equipment including theatre monitors, scanners and neonatal units, have seen per cent in II years to £250 million in 1994.

Cathedrals are reported to be locked in a cash crisis as income for restoration appeals has more than halved in just three years from £11.2 million to £4.9 million.

Among famous landmarks which are unlikely to reach their appeal targets on time are St Albans, Lincoln, Canterbury, Westminster, and Chichester.

A minority of cathedrals, including Ely and Chester, have been so successful at fundraising that they are likely to complete their appeals ahead of target.

One of the problems is that cathedral restoration is so expensive that the public have to be persuaded to keep giving over a long period and their initial bursts of enthusiasm seem to dwindle.

The Charities Aid Foundation found that nearly half of cathedrals were running appeals, and studied 40 of them in depth. The report said: "It appears that campaigns lose some momentum through

The difficulty is illustrated by St Albans, whose appeal for £500,000 began nine years ago. After raising an average E24,000 for the first eight years, income fell to £8,000 last year.

More leave money to animal shelters

BY KYLE SMITH

MORE people are leaving money to animal welfare charities but individual bequests are becoming smaller. Charities that care for ani-

mals have been the beneficiaries of steadily rising interest over the past few years. The total number of individual bequests to such charities has risen by 17 per cent since 1991.

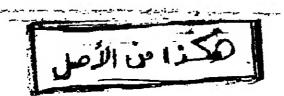
The percentage of individ-ual charitable legacies represented by those to animal groups has risen in recent years. In 1992, 14.3 per cent of such legacies named animal groups. By 1995, the figure had grown to 15.2 per cent. In 1991 there were 9,296 charitable legacies to animal groups in England and Wales: last year there were 10,890, according to

Bernard Sharpe, of Smee and Ford, the charity consultants. Esme Berni of Bristol, wid-

ow of the businessman Aldo Berni, left more than £30,000 to ten animal charities last year, including £2,000 to the Donkey Sanctuary, the fifth largest such charity by expenditure, according to The Henderson Top 2000 Charities. Wood Green Animal Shelter received £30,000 from Mary Burton, a church organist from Cambridgeshire, who had set it aside for the care of her cat. The money went to the shelter when it died.

However, the total value of bequests to animal welfare groups fell slightly in 1995. Johnny Fountain, of the Animal Health Trust, said there seemed to be a trend towards smaller legacies.

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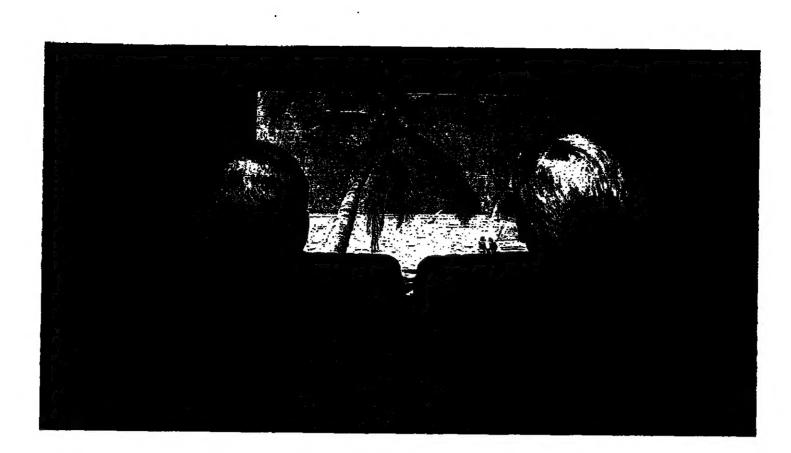
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Police test Euro 96 hooligan control on Cup Final fans

POLICE declared themselves satisfied yesterday with the massive operation mounted to control 79,000 fans at the FA Cup Final on Saturday — a dress rehearsal for Euro 96 next month. There were 70 arrests for public order offences and 125 minor injuries. As 900 officers from four

forces, determined to head off trouble, patrolled the streets and stations around Wembley, experts put the finishing touches to a behind-the-scenes intelligence effort aimed at keeping British and foreign hooligans under control.

Intelligence officers from Liverpool and Manchester mingled with fans at the stadium and in north London. pointing out troublemakers. State-of-the-art digital camera and computer technology enables the "spotters" to flash pictures and information about suspected hooligans to co-ordinating centres.

Police chiefs face a much

more difficult task during the European Championship, controlling fans from 16 na-tions at 31 matches around Britain. They have been planning the security operation for 15 months. More than 10.000 officers are expected to be involved during the three weeks of the competition. In

London, 1.000 officers will be covering each of the six games at Wembley. Teams of spotters from participating nations will be drafted in to point out known thugs among the conti-A suite of offices has been

cleared on the seventh floor of New Scotland Yard to allow National Criminal Intelligence Service staff to work dongside the Metropolitan Police Euro Intelligence Unit and a National Co-ordinating Centre next door. Behind banks of newly installed computer terminals and telephones. British experts and liaison officers from the 15 other competing nations will

However, their operations will be hampered by data protection legislation that re-stricts the information European countries can pass on. For example, Dutch police are forbidden to supply British officers with names or pictures of Dutch citizens they believe may cause trouble.

Chief Inspector Lex Heys of the Dutch football vandalism unit in Utrecht said: "Our Government has a blacklist of hooligans over the last five years and we have a database on them, but we are not allowed to share it under our data protection legislation.*

Similar restrictions apply in Germany and Switzerland. But senior officers are playing down their impact. "Hopefully they will not cause us too much of a problem because we have invited their spotters over here and they will be on the streets," Detective Chief



A watchful Chief Superintendent Linda Newham at Wembley on Saturday. She will also be in charge for Euro 96

Inspector Peter Goulding of the Met's Euro Intelligence Unit said.

*On Saturday we were working alongside spotters from the Greater Manchester and Merseyside forces looking for the fans likely to cause trouble on Saturday evening, and we were successful in finding both groups and dealing with them. That is the way

we will be working with our

European colleagues." The fans had been divided well before reaching Wembley. Manchester United support-Euro 96. ers' coaches were directed along the M6 and M1 and Liverpool coaches along the

In charge of policing at the stadium and its grounds was Chief Superintendent Linda Newham. It was a vital dry run for the 48-year-old Match Commander, the Divisional Commander at Tottenham, tial problems. who will be in charge at Wembley matches during

She arrived at 8am and set about co-ordinating the uniformed, mounted and dog teams. After the match she stood on the balcony beneath the twin towers, radio in one hand and mobile telephone in the other, drawing attention to

clusters of fans posing poten-

wanting to cause trouble."

Officers to debate call for return of hanging

By STEWART TENDLER

week to debate a call for a referendum on the restoration of capital punishment.

ence in Scarborough.

Detective Sergeant Roger Turley, chairman of the Thames Valley branch, which is proposing the motion, said they wanted to initiate a public debate about capital punishment. He said that since capital punishment was abolishtinued unabated. Society today seemed to place less value on human life, and crimes which might once have raised public outcry were soon forgotten. Mr Turley personally supports a return to hanging. Life sentences were no deter-

She insists that Euro 96 will not be an excuse to treat every fan as a potential hooligan. "We have got to remember the vast majority of them will will be coming to enjoy football, and only a very small minority

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THE Police Federation is this A resolution at the federa-

tion's annual conference, which begins today, calls on its leaders to campaign on the issue and to urge the political parties, in the run-up to the general election, to commit themselves to a referendum. Delegates representing ranks up to that of chief inspector in England and Wales will debate the move at the confer-

rent, in comparison, he said. The conference will also debate resolutions urging the general issue of covert bulletproof vests.

£6m for the mainland's extremities

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Briton bids

Groats from their foreign owner. The two landmarks, formerly owned by Peter de Savary, were put up for sale together for the first time in January by Gulf Resources, a New Zealand developer.

Kevin Leech, a business man from Jersey, has beaten off bids from America and the Far East and is expected to finalise the deal at about £6 million this month. The tourist sites have 200 staff and earn £3.2 million a year.

Rapid fire

A new weapon has shattered a record. The Defence Research Agency said the electromagnetic rail gun had fired a projectile at 2,300 metres a second, about seven times the speed of sound. A tank shell moves at about 1,500 metres a second.

Uncle accused

An uncle of four children house fire is to appear in court today charged with their murders. Fred Heyworth, 58, is also accused of attempting to murder their parents. Beverley and Melvyn Good.

Walk-on role

More than 16,000 people took their first and last chance to walk across the new £330 million toll bridge over the River Severn. The six-lame bridge has no walkways and anyone attempting to cross by foot after next month's open ing faces a E50 fine.

Man shot dead

found dying of grashed wounds in a street in Huddersfield, West Yorkshire, early yesterday. Police scaled off a terraced house at which residents said all-night blues parties were a regular work

Music school sale

The Royal Marines School of Music at Deal, Kent, where II handsmen were killed by an IRA bomb in 1989, is being sold by the Ministry of Defence. It is feared that prespective purchasers might be deterred by redevelopment.

Ostrich takes off

British Airways will be adding ostrich steaks to its menus on North American routes. The steaks, for first-class passengers, will be offered on other routes if they prove popular. The birds will be supplied by Australia's biggest ostrich farmer.



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The trainspotter now arriving is a class above the nerd

By Jonathan Prynn TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

COMEDIANS who like easy targets may have to look elsewhere trainspotting is going upmarket

A fall in the number of young people taking up the hobby has been blamed on endless stereotyped portrayals of "nerds" in anoraks. But the change means that it is increasingly becoming a pastime dominated by mature people who can aspire to a luxury end of the market

Affluent enthusiasts can shed any dowdy image by paying up to £125 a night to stay in a hotel where they eat, drink, sleep and trainspot in comfort within yards of the East Coast main line. The Sidings Hotel and Restaurant near Shipton, about five miles north of York, consists of five converted train carriages and a replica station and signal box.

Guests are encouraged to relax with their notebooks as about 100 freight and passenger trains a day thunder by the hotel's glassfronted dining room and lounge bar. The 140mph track is even floodlit at night, allowing guests to "spot" into the early hours with an after-dinner drink.

One of the regular guests, Colin Camm, 57, a teacher from Nuneaton. Warwickshire, spends at least one night of each stay sitting in TOP 'SPOTS' ON EAST COAST MAIN LINE





2. A Class 56-pulled "Merry Go Round" coal train, above 3. Class 60 heavy freight train



5. The Royal Train, above, pulled by a Class 47 locomotive

the lounge until dawn to watch freight and mail trains go past. He is so well known by drivers that

they flash their lights at him.

It has become much more a mature person's hobby," he said. "When I began as a schoolboy, it

was mostly school children and very few adults. Now there are very few children and mainly adults. But there has been no real loss to the whole body of rail enthusiasts "

It is even possible to trainspot

hotel's room six is at the end of a carriage placed at right angles to the line, so that the bed is just 12ft from passing trains. Mr Camm said: "On the first night in there. you get very little sleep. On the second, you sleep a little better, and by the third you are totally exhausted.'

Rates at the hotel range from £67 for dinner, breakfast and a single room, to £125 for a fourposter double. It is all the brainchild of Bert Gemmell, a 70-yearold retired railwayman, and his son Brian, a former army intelligence officer, who said: "We get very few anoraks here because the prices keep out the riff-raff. Numerous MPs have been here to dine, as well as celebrities such as Patrick Moore."

The menu includes delicacies such as roast wood pigeon - a far cry from the Marmite sandwiches the classic trainspotter's lunchbox. A narrow-gauge railway is being built in the garden to carry beer barrels to the bar.

There is concern about youngsters losing their enthusiasm for the much-lampooned hobby. Murray Brown, the co-editor of Rail Express magazine, said: "The use of 'trainspotter' as a derogatory adjective is having quite an adverse affect and youngsters just don't want to get involved any Mr Brown, who has



Restaurant guest Paul Turner shares his enthusiasm with son Jamie, 14, at The Sidings

his railway memorabilia to the Sidings Hotel, added: "Railway enthusiasm covers a very broad church. Many people in the professional classes are into rail-

ways and certainly don't all wear anoraks and national health spectacles and have an IQ of about 12. "It is so unfair. It seems it is quite all right to walk around the countryside hitting small balls

bank of a river fishing in the rain. but if you are interested in trains you are ridiculed."

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Fans for whom Wembley score hit the hundreds

By Stephen Farrell

NOT everyone who travelled to Wembley for the FA Cup Final found it the duliest afternoon's entertainment for years. For one select group, the Manchester United versus Liverpool tie lived up to all the hype and provided a day of non-stop action of a quality rarely to be enjoyed.

Beneath the feet of 79,000 fans flowing across Olympic Way to the stadium on Saturday, a cluster of coachspotters was camped out beside the flyover columns, oblivious to the supposed climax of the

English football season.
"I couldn't care a tinker's cuss who wins," said Ivan Cottrell, 50, a spotter for 20

"Well, to be honest, I do care a little bit because if it wasn't two northern clubs playing we wouldn't be here at all. It wouldn't be worth coming for London clubs, but this gives us a chance to see all the new Manchester and Liverpool M

and N registrations." Mr Cottrell, of St Albans, arrived four hours before kickoff — a Lancashire, Cumbria and Manchester bus handbook in his Air New Zealand bag — to join two dozen colleagues meticulously noting the numberplates of

Volvos and Scanias pouring into Wembley's vast car park. Coachspotters, who prefer to be called "bus and coach enthusiasts", are often former trainspotters diverted on to the roads by the lack of new

rolling stock. Connoisseurs prefer junior

fans arrive in cars, but schoolboys and girls cannot drive. "We'll get only 300 coaches today but you get about 500 for the kids' rugby, and there's none of this chanting nonsense," Alan Langheit, 62, said. "We'll be off about 4pm. I'm not hanging around for this lot coming out."

Mr Langhelt, a retired engineer from Hounslow, west London, has been a coachspotter since 1948 and works three hours a day as a London Buses traffic recorder. His weekday leisure is spent log-ging aircraft; at weekends he seeks buses and coaches.

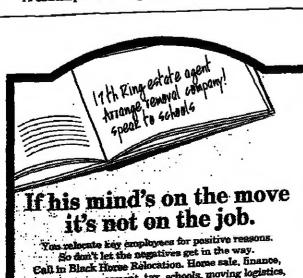
He includes only vehicles of at least 17 seats with a green or blue Public Service Vehicle disc. Supplementing his notebook is a pocket computer and, at home, a laptop computer with 60,000 coaches in alphabetical order. Those he has seen are marked with an asterisk and the list is constantly updated to keep track of fleets that have changed hands and buses that have

been re-registered. He is a little dismissive of young spotters. "To be honest, some of them are just numbersnatchers and don't know what they are doing. Very few use computers, which are a

boon to our hobby. "There is no end product, because new coaches come out each year. The aim is just to get as many as possible. Anything to avoid getting bored. I don't want to sit around in libraries all day reading newspapers like some

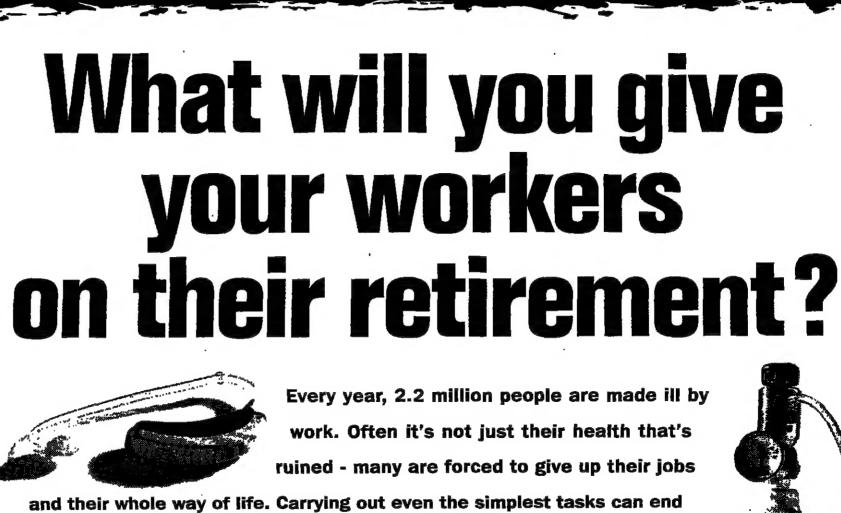


A coachspotter filling his notebook at Wembley



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Blind boy's family fights for children without eyes

By JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

FORTY British families whose children were born without eyes are awaiting the outcome of a test case beginning in America today that will determine whether a garden pesticide caused the deformity in a six-year-old boy.

They will lodge claims if John Castillo Jr. who was born with empty eye sockets, is successful in suing the Dupont chemical company for \$20 million (£13 million). His parents claim that the congenital defect is a result of his mother being sprayed with the chemical pesticide benomyl, which was used on a fruit farm near the family home outside

Benomyl is the active constituent of Benlate, which is widely used in Britain and around the world for spraying crops. It was sold for garden use in Britain until the comBenomyl was banned in Australia 15 years ago after tests

A British expert on the condition, known as anophthalmia, said he would not allow his pregnant wife to be exposed to benomyl after research showed that rats fed large quantities produced foetuses without eyes.

Richard Collin, consultant ophthalmic surgeon at Moorfields Eye Hospital and the Hospital for Sick Children at Great Ormond Street, London, said: "The last thing I would let my wife do is go into a greenhouse where benomy! was being sprayed. We know it is capable of producing animals without eyes and it would seem wise at the very least to limit the exposure of pregnant women."

Mr Collin, who has studied 150 babies born with the deformity over the past 15



Juveria Memon and her son Khalid, born with empty eye sockets, await the decision of the American court

ears, said that it would be hard to prove a link with

benomyl, however. The case involving John Castillo, which is expected to last a month, is the biggest involving pesticides to reach the courts, according to Alan Care of Leigh Day and Co. the solicitor representing British

"It is going before a jury. instead of a judge, it involves millions of dollars and it is not about the abuse of a product but a straight fight on whether it is capable of causing injury." Mr Care has been working closely with American law firm James Ferraro, which has agreed to take British sufferers as "follow on" cases on a "no win, no fee" basis.

Juveria Memon, 38, whose son Khalid has been blind from birth, said she had never recovered from the trauma of having a baby with empty eye sockets. "Can you imagine phoning your mother to say you have had a baby but it's got no eyes?" Now aged 10.

Khalid complains about being unable to see. "What do I say to him? It was not an act of God, it was negligence."

When she was pregnant Ms Memon, who now lives in Cambridge, used to visit her mother-in-law every day in Harrow, northwest London, where Benlate was used in the garden. She says that use of the chemical should have been restricted once the tests on rats showed it was capable of producing the eye deformity. The foetus is extremely vul-

nerable in the early stages of development and the minutest amount of any toxin can cause damage.

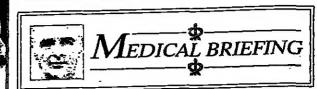
A support group set up by Chris and Maggie Bourne, whose nine-year-old son Andrew is also affected, has 130

A spokesman for Dupont in Britain said: "We are confident that if all the evidence is heard in a proper setting people will see that there is absolutely no link between Benlate and anophthalmia."

gy food. Despite this they are often denied sugar and sugary foods by parents who fear tooth decay. The evidence is that when chilbecause they eat jam rolypoly or treacle tart for pud-ding or because they have had the occasional sweet, but because they haven't brushed their teeth properly with a good-quality toothpaste twice a day.

Fats are an essential part efficient. Without adequate

Muesli-belt diet causes danger across all classes



CAN the Health Departent's rules for the adult diet be applied to the nursery without endangering a child's health? The BBC1 series Watchdog Healthcheck tonight reviews the diet of children from a wide variety of social backgrounds, and in conseuence adds its support to the call for a return to

traditional food. The accepted view has been that muesli-belt mothers are confined to the middle-class areas of cities. but the research has shown that children are being de-prived of the essential requirements of a good diet by health-conscious parents from all social classes.

Eighty per cent of the children studied were not being provided with the necessary fat, protein and carbohydrate. Instead, their digestive systems were being loaded with fibre, which has no energy value, contains no protein and inhibits the absorption of minerals and vitamins.

Children, like other small mammals, need high-enerdren's teeth decay it is not

of the diet: they are the best source of energy and they ensure that the system for the absorption of vitamins is fat in the diet the body is less able to create the cellular

tissues are composed, does not manufacture hormones so effectively, does not have such an efficient immune system and does not readily absorb fat-soluble vitamins and many other necessary chemicals.

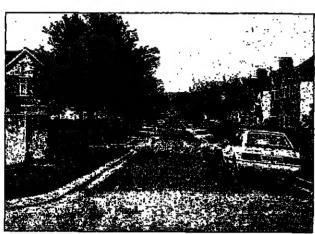
The diet of humans, whether children or adults, needs calcium, iron, copper, zinc. magnesium, silenium and a host of other trace elements. The body was designed to be omnivorous and there is no better way of obtaining these elements than through a good chop, other meat or fish or cheese. Iron is 20 times better absorbed when taken in the form in which it is found in meat than when it is obtained from vegetables. Meat eating, too, is the best way to provide a child with the amino acids essential for body building.

Britain has learnt from the dairy industry that the traditional, natural way of feeding can also be the least dangerous. Dr Jackie Stordy and Dr Charlotte Wright, whose research formed the basis of the BBC programme, found that the overwhelming majority of the mothers investigated were giving their young

children the wrong foods.
The health conscious risk bringing up children who are pale, listless and stunted and who would not have been out of place in the prewar slums. If they want to give them the best start in ife they should revert to feeding them with the traditional meat and two vegetables followed by apple charlotte with cream or custard.

> DR THOMAS STUTTAFORD.

A safer world seen through rose-tinted spectacles



being developed to give a clearer view of the world to the partially sighted. The computerised system can display objects such as trees and houses in single colours - all cars are pink — and highlight other dangers such as pave-ment edges with flashes. Researchers at Bristol Univ-ersity are looking at different

ways to present the images on spectacles in a virtual-reality headset. Trials will be carried out with volunteers from the city's Eye Hospital.

The joint project under Professor Barry Thomas and Dr Tom Troscianko carries for-

vision, bringing together the university's departments of computer science and psychology. Tiny video cameras in the headset will send digitised pictures to a waist-belt computer, which recognises images from a databank of everyday objects, and then presents real-life scenes in a graphic montage. In the col-our system, all houses are brown and the sky is blue.

The current system takes more than ten seconds to analyse an image, but expected advances in micro-proces sor technology should speed



The virtual reality: the street seen by the computer

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Ghana offers

brief respite

to Liberian

refugee ship

By Eve-Ann Prentice

AFTER a week at sea, up to said shooting had been heard

4,000 sick and dying Liberian and it appeared that desperate

Takoradi,

refugees, many driven to

drinking sea water, had over-whelmed the captain and

forced him to try to dock at

The situation on board the

freighter was unclear after a

spokesman for Medecins sans

Frontières, the medical chari-

ty, said 164 soldiers of

Ecomog, the West African

peacekeeping force in Liberia. were on board. Earlier a

doctor reported the first death

on the Bulk Challenger when

woman died from internal

As the freighter headed

back offshore after at first being repulsed, Ghanaians on

the quayside at Takoradi chanted at the refugees: "Rebels, go home. Go back to

Liberia, we have no chop

Another 1,500 Liberian refu-

Vietnamese stage second

Hong Kong camp revolt

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY IN HONG KONG

camp as tense yesterday and

200 residents from nearby

villages demonstrated outside

to indicate their fear of escap-

has been attacked.

ees, even though none of them

They carried placards urg-

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its policy of allowing Vietnam-

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Britain's responsibility to re-

settle the 17,500 Vietnamese

remaining in Hong Kong

Hong Kong: Customs

agents here claimed their

biggest success in the war

on copyright pirates after

swooping on a snuggling

syndicate yesterday and

seizing a record haul of

compact disc copies from

China. Calvin Leung. a

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impounded. (Reuter)

They also said it was

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Readers write off TV viewing FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN NEW YORK A MAGAZINE for people

who throw away their televisions has been started in Chicago and has caught the imagination of bundreds of

The White Dot. named after the way early television screens reacted when switched off, sold out within days of its first issue being published. Jean Lotus, the editor, said: "In America, saying you have no television is like saying you have no indoor plumbing." But she

life had improved dramatically since she got rid of her own

centre on a day during which

most of Monrovia was calm.

apart from the occasional

run by Charles Taylor, the

man who launched Liberia's

civil war in 1989, said that the

ruling Council of State had

ordered the arrest of any

gunmen or individual caught

Freed American slaves set

Earlier, the radio station

burst of gunfire.

trying to loot.

The \$2 (El.25) quarterly magazine carries tips on how, without a television, parents can entertain young children while they are showering or cooking (answer: take them in to the shower with you and let them "help" in the kitchen). The magazine also lists various misconceptions about the "TV-free", such as the belief that to dispose of television is to miss much of what modern

about. "Skimming the local newspaper's lifestyle section lets you catch up enough to understand the small talk at work," it says.

up Liberia as Africa's first

republic in 1847. Many Liberi-

ans look to the United States

as their mother country and

some have called for direct US

intervention to end six years of

civil war which have killed

Diplomatic sources claimed

yesterday that Washington

had put pressure on the Gha-

more than 150,000 people.

One contributor describes how he threw away his set after watching a particularly witless programme one night. Alan Sierkowski opened the window of his third-floor flat and let his black-and-white television drop into the alley below, It landed with a crash "similar to a hand gun blast", he said, adding: "I swept up

De Klerk accuses ANC of racist politics

FROM INIGO GILMORE

F.W. DE KLERK, South Africa's National Party leader, has swung into action in his new role as leader of the Opposition, accusing President Mandela's African National Congress of being racist and vowing to woo disaffected voters by offering a better alternative to ANC rule.

Appearing in public at the weekend after Thursday's announcement that the Nationalists would withdraw from the Government of National Unity at the end of next month, Mr de Klerk, told jubilant members of his party's youth league that the ANC was constantly reviving the bitterness of South Africa's past "because they are not

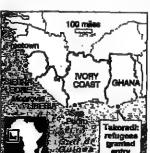
fully a non-racial party".

Accusing the ANC of thinking only in terms of "black and white" he said "what this country needs is a new political movement that brings together South Africans of all colours who believe in the same values. We are seeking the lead in bringing such a

political movement together." The manner in which South Africa's last white President has sunk his teeth into the ANC so soon after his party's pull-out was announced has caused surprise. His tough words came as a South African newspaper reported yes-terday that Mr de Klerk had, according to one senior Nationalist, caused the "deepest rift ever" in the party's history by threatening to resign as party leader unless he received full backing over the decision.

The withdrawal represented a victory for party hardliners after internal conflict came to a head. A compromise was eventually reached that the National Party would vote for the Constitution, then withdraw from the Government. □ ANC move: Cyril Ramaphosa is to resign as ANC Secretary General once the new Constitution is certified, the party said yesterday. Mr Ramaphosa had previously said he would leave parliament to go into business but had added that he would stay

Some of the estimated 4,000 refugees crowded on to the Bulk Challenger which was yesterday given permission to dock at Takoradi



A SECOND uprising by Viet-

namese boat people again

took Hong Kong security ser-

vices by surprise over the

As a manhunt continued for

32 inmates who were among

119 to escape from Whitehead

detention centre during a riot

on Friday, the camp was hit by

a second revolt involving 1,000

It took 1,200 security men-

and 240 rounds of teargas to

rescue a group of officers who

had been beaten and robbed of

their batons, shields and hel-

mets. Hundreds of women

and children again clambered

on to the camp's huts and had

Although 180 Vietnamese,

considered ringleaders of the

disorders, were taken to Vic-

toria prison. Charges will

probably not be brought,

because trials would delay

their repairiation by over a

year. Officials described the

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to be manhandled down.

refugees on board the leaking.

disease-ridden freighter Bulk

Challenger found relief at last

yesterday when the Ghanaian

authorities gave them permis-

sion to dock at Takoradi. The

vessel last night docked at the

port, from which it had earlier

Another boat laden with

people fleeing the conflict in

Liberia has been prevented

from docking in Sierra Leone. Aid workers estimate that

20,000 Liberians could be at

Witnesses said the Ghana-ian authorities initially used

huge floating cranes to pre-

vent the freighter docking after it lurched towards the

shore soon after shots were

heard on board. Aid workers

sea in search of sanctuary.

been turned away.

the fishing boat Victory River. which Sierra Leone ordered out of Freetown harbour, aid workers said. The vessel sailed into Freetown on Saturday, but the authorities said it had no clearance to dock and ordered the aid workers said. In Abi-

(food) here.

dian, the Ivory Coast capital, Médecins sans Frontières, which has a first aid ship tracking the Bulk Challenger, said its staff had been afraid to go board lest they were overwhelmed by panicking

refugees.
"We think it's not safe to approach the ship because the refugees may try to jump into small," said Philip Doherry,

camps. Toby Emmet. the Di-

rector of Operations and Se-

nior Assistant Commissioner

of Police, admitted that he had

been surprised on Saturday

morning when the second

wave of Vietnamese pounced

on his men as they forcibly

removed several hundred ref-

ugees to another detention

centre before their repatria-

When the second revolu

began, smoke was still rising

from 26 buildings that had

The security services ap-

peared unprepared for either

attack, although a peaceful demonstration of 5,000 in-

mates on Thursday, the larg-

est ever, had led some officers

to speculate that a riot was

Some detainces, inter-

viewed while still on the run,

said they feared violence from their guards and criminal

gangs inside the camps.

been burned out on Friday.

tion to Vietnam.

the charity's regional co-ordinator. "The sea is not the right place to help the people. The freighter needs to be in port." America has scaled down its amphibious task force off Li-

beria but the commander of the operation said the US nitment to the mission remained unchanged.

Colonel Wayne Forbush, commander of Operation Assured Response, said the USS

Trenton, one of three ships that had been deployed 25 miles offshore, left on Thursday to take part in an exercise in Europe.

In Monrovia, the Liberian capital. West African peacekeepers yesterday shot dead two ethnic Krahn gunmen and wounded a third as they tried to loot an Indian shop. Ecomog sources said. The incident happened in the city

families throughout America.

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reforms aim to end revolt

FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS INALGIERS

PRESIDENT ZEROUAL of Algeria outlined constitutional reform proposals yesterday that would enforce the separation between religion and politics, guarantee economic freedom and potentially encourage political pluralism.

The changes were presented in a 22-page memorandum to political parties, organisations and individuals who participated in recent talks with the President aimed at ending Algeria's crisis. Since the military's cancellation of elections that the fundamentalist Islamic Salvation Front was poised to win in 1992, more than 40,000 people have died in a revolt by armed extremists seeking to overthrow the Government and establish an

Islamic state in the country. The economy and civil liberries, such as freedom of the press, have suffered as a result of the conflict, and Mr Zeroual, elected last November, is under pressure to improve conditions. The recent talks, however, did not include the Islamic Salvation Front, without whose participation many political observers think any solution is unlikely.

The proposed constitutional changes would limit the presidential mandate to a maximum of two terms, name a state supreme court and senate, and exclude religious and ethnic militancy from politics. The memorandum does not specify when elections, promised for 1997, will be held, but sets a timetable for participants in the recent talks to decide on dates. Economic liberalism and free enterprise would be made constitutional principles, the memorandum said. The participants in last month's talks have two weeks in which to reply to the proposals.

One notable omission in the memorandum was any mention of the army, traditionally Algeria's main power broker, a role contested by many opposition figures.

A car bomb on Saturday in Blida, 31 miles south of Algiers, killed three people and wounded 60, it was reported. Nobody had by last night claimed responsibility.



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Cold War veterans fret over Europe's fraying links with US

more than anything else to shape Europe in the remaining years of the century has nothing to do with the European Union, Tory Eurosceptics or Helmut Kohl. On June 16, Russia begins electing a new president and the repercussions of that choice will be felt across the Continent and the

The possibility of a win by Zyuganov added extra electricity to a weekend gathering in Prague of retired Cold War warriors who worry about the fraying link between Europe and the United States. The conference, which had the air of an anti-Soviet

ponderously-titled "New Atlantic initiative". But they might as well have met under the slogan, "Waiting for Mr Zyuganov". Neatly-suited men from

Washington think-tanks min-gled with Czech priests who had been ordained in secret during the Communist years. Someone introduced a shy skinhead in a double-breasted suit with the words: "I first met Jan when I was writing a piece about right-wing rock music east of the Elbe".

The svelte and enigmatic Peter Mandelson attended between telephone calls to London. For his pains, he was asked by the jovial Canadian millionaire Con-



Party "spy" was doing at such Through all this, Margaret Thatcher sailed with imperial authority, parting reverent crowds at the head of several television crews. She com-

bined the wardrobe of Eliza-

beth I with the role of Cassandra, predicting doorn if the West does not pull itself

together. She thumped, as "unbelievably insensitive", Helmut Kohl for suggesting that Europe might be threatened by war if its nations do not move towards political unity. She took sideswipes at George Bush's phrase about the "New World Order", which had echoes of "utopian euphoria"; at other politi-cians "too timid" to tell the truth, and compared the EU to the Austro-Hungarian empire. Her standing ovation

was led by a Pole. Vaclav Klaus, the Czech Prime Minister and the closest thing to a Eurosceptic in Central Europe, is running for re-election for all his Thatcherite credentials. Mr Klaus is leading his country's bid to enter the EU as fast as

One of only a handful of Germans present bravely pointed out that some American hawks may even want the crisis which is liable to happen if Mr Zyuganov comes to power in Moscow. He hit a Checking American isola-

tionism, creating a transat-lantic free trade area and sabotaging a federal Europe are fine visions. But they are for the moment as politically practical as making sunbeams out of cucumbers. And they will stay that way as iong

shaped by a Franco-German alliance consistently backed by every American president. An aggressive President Zyuganov would start the juices of transatlantic coflowing once operation

It is easy to make fun of Cold War nostalgia, but the Prague conference shone a light on neglected ideas. The end of the Soviet empire allowed Europe's governments to shrink defence budgets and to relax. But the dinlomatic fiascos over Bosnia revealed that the Continent's voters had lost all interest in war.

But while the risk of superpower conflict has evaporat-

North Korea offers portable nuclear weapons for sale from a catalogue. Several rogue states may have ballistic missiles which can hit Europe before long.

Russia is busy trying to recruit allies in Central Europe. As a Hungarian MP reminded me Hitler said that in Europe there is no space without a master. The Russians know this." Sooner or later. Europe will have to come to terms with these under-rated problems. In theory. Europe is dealing with the power vacuum in central Europe by taking new members into the EU and

Nato. But the work is drag-ging and, distracted by the single currency, most EU politicians have stopped bothering to give high profile

support to the East. Meanwhile, some ugly tendencies are breeding the anti-German, anti-Gypsy, anti-Jewish Republic Party looks set to become the third strongest in the Czech Repub-

Reuniting a continent split by Stalin should be promoted as the leading moral task for the rising generation of European politicians. Instead, it has become an administra-

lic in this month's general

GEORGE BROCK

Serb 'war criminal' is innocent loving father, family say

FROM STACY SULLIVAN IN PRIJEDOR

MIRA TADIC sits at home in the Bosnian town of Prijedor listening to stories that her loving husband and father of her two children, is a psychotic monster capable of unspeak-

The memorabilia in the household of Dusan Tadic, on trial in The Hague for war crimes, seems incongruous for an alleged killer. The images of Mr Tadic in the family photo album portray a compassionate father and husband who doted on his daughters and embraced his Muslim neighbours. A family video shows Mr Tadic at a party in his native Kozarac. drinking with his best friend Emir Karabasic, a Muslim

Is this the same man who conducted a reign of terror in north-western Bosnia in 1992? Or is he a victim of mistaken

The indictment issued by the International War Crimes Tribunal describes Mr Tadic as a sadistic killer who supervised a reign of terror across his hometown and the surrounding area, torturing, kill-ing and raping his Muslim neighbours, including his best

How is it possible, his family asks, that the man the tribunal claims brutally beat and killed his former neighbours by day, remained a gentle and loving father who

played with his daughters and looked after his wife and mother when he came home at

I saw my father every night that summer," said Valentina, 17, the eldest of Mr Tadic's two daughters. "He could not have done those things. How could

anyone believe he did?" Mira Tadic is a petite 36year-old nurse who speaks to her husband once a week on the telephone and will not believe the horror stories.

"If I believed any of the accusations, i would not be with him," said Mrs Tadic as she sat with seven-year-old Saska, her younger daughter, looking at the photographs of their old life together in the village of Kozarac.
The accusations are ru-

mours, propaganda spread by people who suffered and want

Tribunal to hear killing details

The Hague tribunal will later this week begin hearing details of the campaign of murder, torture and sexual violence allegedly waged by Dusan Tadic against the Muslims of the Prijedor region in north-west Bosnia-Herzegovina in 1992. A total of 57 people have been indicted but just three are in custody.

somebody to blame," she

Mr Tadic's former Muslim neighbours, however, have no trouble believing any of the accusations. "I have absolutely no doubt that the man who beat me was Dusan Tadic," said one of Mr Tadic's former neighbours, a childhood friend who would not give his name because he is going to

testify at the trial. "I can't understand what happened to that guy," he said. "We grew up together. I used to spend holidays with the Tadic family in a summer house in the mountains ... I still have nightmares about it. After doing all those things, he can't hide anywhere, not even

Survivors of the infamous Omarska, Trnopolje and Keratern detention camps where Mr Tadic is alleged to have paid visits as a freciance executioner, insist he became infected with a cruel brand of nationalism that swept across the former Yugoslavia in the 1990s. They say something snapped in Mr Tadic in 1992, turning him into a brutal killer who turned against his

friends. As the trial proceeds, the question of who is right will probably become clearer, but it may never be possible to know if Mr Tadic is a compassionate family man, a brutal killer, or both.



Mira Tadic, the wife of Dusan Tadic, the Serb being tried for war crimes in The Hague, looks at family pictures at home in Bosnia with their daughter Saska, 7

European 'threat' to peace in **Bosnia**

FROM TOM RHODES

THE architect of the fragile peace in Bosnia-Herzegovina has accused European governments of threatening stability in the Balkans by undermining the Dayton peace accord.

Richard Holbrooke said the United States had completed the military goals outlined last year. But he said there were "disturbing signs" that some Europeans no longer seemed committed to the civilian side of the deal, including economic reconstruction, the return of refugees, prosecution of war criminals and prepara-

tions for elections. The former Assistant Secretary for European Affairs who masterminded the Americanbrokered agreement, cited three options for the future of Bosnia: renewed conflict, successful federation, or partition.

"I consider the chances of renewed war to be low," he writes in Time magazine today. "But it is distressing that some important European officials are privately writing off Dayton's political provisions and preparing the ground for de facto partition next year.'

The White House is eager to avoid problems over Bosnia before November's presidential elections and Mr Holbrooke's attack on Europe was seen as political cover for President Clinton should Congress insist that he withdraw American forces by the agreed deadline at the end of the year.

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Signor Bossi wants Padania

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In last month's election,

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Left, the Northern League

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Arson at home of

Atlanta: The apartment house nicknamed "the Dump" nicknamed where Margaret Mitchell wrote much of the novel Gone With The Wind was virtually destroyed in a fire yesterday that officials said was started deliberately.

novelist

*Firemen smelled petrol when they first started attacking the fire," a fire department investigator said. The vacant three-storey building where Mitchell lived in the 1920s had been heavily damaged in a 1994 fire. Last year, Daimler-Benz AG, the German car manufacturer, agreed to pay \$4 million (£2.64 million) to restore the building. (Reuter)

New powers for Chinese army

Peking: China's parliament is to pass a defence law that empowers the People's Liberation Army to crush rebellions and struggles for regional independence, along with a new gun law to fight violent crime, state media reported. The law provides the death penalty for gun offences and stipulates that the Communist Party has absolute leadership of the army. (Reuter)

Museveni backs economic reform

Kampala: President Museveni of Uganda was sworn in for a five-year term after winning 74.2 per cent of valid yotes in ine presidential elec tion against 23.7 per cent for Paul Ssemogerere, the main opposition candidate. He promised to continue with reforms that have given Uganda one of Africa's fastestgrowing economies. (Reuter)

Help sought over British hostage

Phnom Penh: The Cambodian military will ask Thai counterparts to help negotiate the release of Christopher Howes, a British mine removal expert, and a translator kidnapped by the Khmer Rouge, it was reported. Mr Howes, 36, of Bristol and 26 Cambodians were taken hostage on March 25. (AFP)

Inmates see kev to clean getaway

New York: Two "trusty" prisoners on car washing duty in Decatur, Texas, escaped in a sheriff's Jeep after being given the keys and told to park it in Wise County jail yard (Quen-tin Letts writes). The Jeep was equipped with a police radio, which could have helped them to evade capture.

Beef tops agenda for Chirac visit

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor, and Ben Macintyre in paris

PRESIDENT CHIRAC arrives at Waterloo Station tomorrow for a four-day state visit that will underline France's extremely close defence relations with Britain and, the Government hopes, win a more sympathetic hearing in Paris for its views on the beef crisis and the future of the

European Union. Like the best French feasts, the visit has been designed with something to tempt every palate: a wealth of British pomp and pageantry, a dash of Gallic charm, a little beef and a range of elaborate and

sugary desserts. The visit, on the anniversay of M Chirac's installation in the Elysee, is intended to demonstrate that whatever the disagreements over monetary union and European integration, France remains one of Britain's closest partners in Europe. The contrast with François

Mitterrand's final years as President could not be greater. M Chirac, a bluff, English-speaker with down-to-earth tastes, is a man that John Major believes he can do business with. The two struck up an immediate personal and political rapport, and the President's first working visit to London last October was marked by effusive warmth on both sides.

The first day will be almost entirely ceremonial. M Chirac will arrive by Eurostar and will be met by Princess Margaret. He will have lunch at Buckingham Palace, lay wreaths at the Tomb of the Unknown Warrior and the Charles de Gaulle memorial and conclude the day

with the traditional state banquet. Political discussion will be limited to a session at Downing Street on Wednesday. The main issues are predictable: the beef crisis, the inter-governmental conference

and EU enlargement, Bosnia, defence and nuclear co-operation, and Nato. There will also be talks on terrorism and drugs co-operation, where both sides may

want make announcements. To demonstrate his concern with urban problems, on Thursday the President has chosen to visit depressed Easterhouse in Glasgow, where he will see the work by the Prince's Trust and perhaps gain additional insight into tackling France's

troubled inner cities. The Lord Mayor of London will host a Guildhall hunch, the Government will give its hunch amid the splendour of Hampton Court, and M Chirac will invite the Queen to a reciprocal banquet before leaving. He will also address Parliament in French, with simultaneous translation.

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FROM RICHARD OWEN IN ROME Garibaldi's "one thousand", which paved the way for unification in the 1860s.

Bossi names leadership for

breakaway 'Padania' state

DESPITE warnings that moves toward secession will be met with force, Umberto Signor Bossi said Padania was the best hope of a "way out" for Italy, which was

terday announced his "government" in Padania, the "heading for collapse". Signor name given by the League to Pagliarani said everyone was Italy's northern provinces.
Signor Bossi made his anagainst the League because it was trying to "change the map nouncement at the self-styled "Parliament of the North" in Mantua. The parliament also formed a "Committee for the

which will convene in June. The "prime minister" in the ten-member government was named as Giancarlo Pagliarani, a leading Northern League MP and a former

Bossi, the leader of the sepa-

ratist Northern League, yes-

Budget Minister. The meeting was policed by stewards in green shirts, who are seen as the kernel of a Padanian armed force. In the south, pro-unity demonstraat Marsala in Sicily to mark the anniversary of landings by



Bossi: claims Italy is

appealing to northern resent-ment of high taxation and subsidies paid to the poorer south and won 59 seats in the Lower House plus 27 seats in the Senate. The new Speaker of the Lower House, Luciano Violante, a leading member of the Party of the Deocratic Left (PDS), or former Communists, warned Signor Bossi on Friday that the forthcoming Centre Left government led by Romano Prodi would use force if necessary to prevent the

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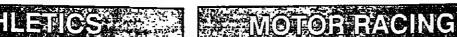
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Cantona, from social outcast to a man able to turn the other cheek while being spat upon on the steps to the Royal Box at Wembley, appears so com-plete that one wonders whether some kind of mind altering therapy has been at work (Rob

Hughes writes).
This is not just a judgment passed on the man whose temper burst so that he took a leap into the crowd at Selhurst Park in January 1995, but on the same player who in pique had more than once put his boot into a fallen opponent. "I have tried to correct myself. but I have lost my game," he reasoned

Wrong, Eric. As wrong as so many critics were when they would have denied the atonement which during the past season has provided an example way beyond sport, an example of exemplary behaviour under stress that has example descent and extern earned respect and esteem beyond his wildest dream.

To hear Cantona say now that England is the place for him and his young family, that he might follow the example of Ruud Gullit and actually manage here, is some compliment, both to his new self control and England's ability to come to terms with its own xenophobia. To achieve, at the same time, the leadership of a club regaining both the League and FA Cup trophies is a double endorse-

ment.

His part on the field includes vital goals that directly account for 2! points in the FA Carling Premiership, including that five-goal spell where he scored the only goals of United's matches.

He had long affected United's mood, from an irrational and dark period to the embracement of youth. When Cantona snarled, so did United; now Cantona purrs, they do the same.

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He came out talking, on television in England and in France, after a year of almost monastic silence last weekend.

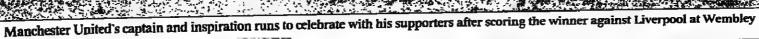
He said that we misinterpreted confidence as arrogance,

and then swaggered on to the red carpet at Wembley. He actually smiled, a man coming close to harmony with himself and his public world.

His advice to the five young fledglings who have been part of the team success at Old Trafford? — "The most important season for them is next season. The real difficulty will season. The real difficulty will be in their heads." Yours too, Monsieur, yours too.

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In the 86th minute, Cantona pounces on an error by the Liverpool defence



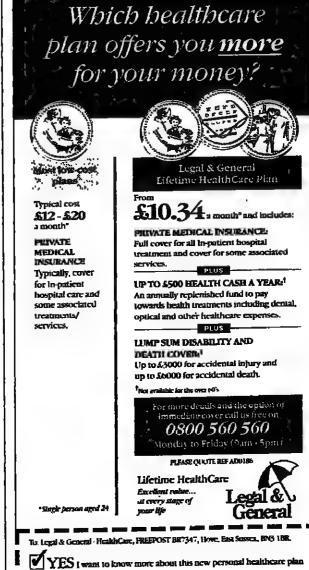


In the crowd and out of the game for eight months





Two trophies in six days: Premiership and FA Cup



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Davies finds flaw in BBC's magic carpet

hat sort of things do you worry about the night before a big game?" Gary Richardson asked Dermot Gallagher, the referee, in the build-up to the Cup Final (FA Cup Final Grandstand.
BBCI). He should have asked the same question of the incomparable Barry Davies.

"Well," Davies might have replied, "there's the pre-match entertainment when a few busty blondes prance about the centre circle while a host of children file on to hold up the sponsor's boards and the two sets of supporters do their best to wreck each other's anthems and the FA unleash the teams in the middle of Abide with me. Or, then again, the game might be so dreadful that people actually notice what I am saying. Or, there is the problem of trying to prompt Trevor Brooking into saying something really spiteful like: 'I don't think that pass was " Poor Davies.

Even the most expensive Persian carpet has a flaw woven into it, to let out the Devil, but, according to the BBC's sycophantic build-up. there was not the merest fleck of weakness in either team. Giggs was "sensational", Schmeichel "unbeatable" (true, but Liverpool did not test him very hard). Cantona well more of him later --McManaman "unstoppable", Fowler "irrepressible". Barnes

Yet what did they produce? A match of such turgid incompetence, the national grid must have short-circuited 30 the nation decided that there was time to brew up, and pop in the milk, while Cole was circling under a high ball like a trainee circus sea lion. "Wobbly legs at the moment, I'm afraid," Davies opined. At half-time, Hansen and



ANDREW LONGMORE TV ACTION REPLAY

Lineker picked up the Cole theme. "He's clueless," Hansen, a defender, still reeling from his "can't win anything with kids" assessment of United's chances this season, said. Lineker sprung - amsaid. Lineker spring — air-bled, perhaps — to the defence of a fellow striker in distress. "I had a spell like that at Barcelona." he said. "Terry Venables told me to forget about anything else and go for

goal, just go for it. It worked." The BBC's answer to Saint and Greavsie have had a good season, Hansen all edge and opinion, Lineker the cool voice of reason. Even Jimmy Hill forecast the substitution of Cole correctly, along with 10 million viewers, who had doubled their bets by predicting the imminent substitution of Hill after a bout of woeful halftime rambling.

Contrast is essential to

sporting punditry. Different voices, different attitudes. Hill is scripted to play the informed punter, a foil to the pros, but, to adapt an old joke, the informed punter would win hands down. Hansen treats Hill like a slightly dotty uncle. and even gentle Des Lynam had to cut his mate off at the knees: "Is this getting a little confused, Jim?" Certainly was.

Lynam had already enjoyed his moment of glory with ze interview. Presumably, Lynam was chosen because he is a big fish among sardines. Or may-

be it was his range of ques-tions which, translated into GCSE multiple choice, would have read something like: Ereec leven Davies, later, adopted a French accent), are you: a) wonderful, b) jolly wonderful, c) absolutely brilliant. Please answer in a dark. fisherman's voice, wearing a Nike baseball cap on your head. If Cantona had been a trout, he would have been tickled out of the water. At least, there was no cod philoso-

We learnt that Cantona likes

to be in harmony with his body and his mind, that he will stay with United until doomsday or someone else comes up with a better offer, whichever is sooner, and that the affection of the United supporters moves him close to tears. Not earth-shattering stuff, but Cantona could claim a place in a Dictionary of Quotations with a recital of Little Bo Peep - and he did decide the game, with a volley

of stunning inevitability, cap-tured succincily by Davies: "So there is to be a memorable end to a poor Cup final, after all." Enough said. He is by some distance the best football commentator on television. However, the BBC's finest

moment was yet to come and full marks to the producer for spotting it and going with it. As United prepared to accept the Cup, Bruce, the club captain, and Cantona, the captain on the day, were pictured deciding who should lead the team up the steps. Each wanted the other to do it. Bruce had the last word. Cantona, body and mind in perfect harmony, collected the Cup. The producer even cut back to the tracksuited figure of Bruce, arms folded, eyes proud waiting alone at the bottom. Finally, after five hours, an unchoreographed moment, a flash of spontaneity, a second of great television. If only the match had

Bayfield sprints in

CYCLING: Joe Bayfield, who came within four seconds of winning the Thwaites grand prix last week, proved the fastest finisher at the end of the 100-mile Harpers grand prix yesterday, winning the six-man sprint to the line on a rollercoaster Surrey course. Dave Rand was second, a length behind, with Neil Hoban a close third.

"I have spent the past week training hard." Bayfield said.
"It paid off and gave me the stamina to win today." Bayfield lines up in Portsmouth tomorrow for the six-day mountain

I Julia Freeman, from Romford, Essex, is Great Britain's new women's ten-mile time-trial champion. It is her first national title. She beat Sarah Phillips, of Scotland, the winner last year, by 3eec to record a championship record time of 21min 28sec at Heversham, Cumbria.

Thompson makes mark

RUGBY UNION: England, including only eight of them team that lost to France three weeks ago, beat Italy 39-8 in the under-21 international at Paese David Thompson, the Millfield schoolboy, sent them on their way with the first of the team's five tries, Rees (two), Benton and Luger scoring

Doohan steals victory

overtaken by Doohan, lost control as he fought back.



GYMNASTICS: Ivan Ivankov, of Belorussia, retained the European championship with a narrow victory over Vitaly Scherbo, his compatriot in the individual competition in Copenhagen on Saturday, Ivankov collected 57,898 points. while Scherbo, a winner of five Olympic gold medals, scored 57.874 points. Alexei Voropaev, of Russia, was third. Lee

REAL TENNIS: Wayne Davies, the former world champion, and Paul Tabley, his fellow Australian, reached the final of the BNB Resources British professional championship with thrilling semi-final victories against, respectively. Mike Gooding, of Hatfield, and Ruaraidh Gunn, the young Oratory School professional. Gunn

RIFLE SHOOTING: Richard Faulds, 19, comfortably won qualifying score, missing only three clays out of a possible 100. Faulds went into the final shoot-off with a four-shot

Impressive Christie on Olympic schedule

FROM DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

STILL he would not disclose whether he will defend his Olympic title this summer, but Linford Christie's first 100 metres of the season yesterday was a performance which said enough for now. In his corresponding races of 1992, when he won his Olympic gold medal, and 1993, when he became world champion, he was not as quick as he was

if this small western German town marked Christie's first step on the road to Atlanta, it was taken with a Jonathan Edwards-sized stride. This was Christie's first race since his 36th birthday, but, having become the oldest Olympic men's champion at 100 metres when he was 32, he may not be finished with that record yet. On a cold day - a temperature of 50F is not conducive to sprinting -Christie recorded 10.20sec. In

1992, he opened with a handtimed 10.3sec and, in his first 100 metres of 1993, recorded

Although helped by a following wind here, at 0.6 metres per second it was not much. While the opposition was not of the highest class. Patrick Stevens, from Belgium, and Marc Blume, from Germany, are both decent sprinters. Stevens, second in 10.28sec, is among the fastest 200-metre runners in the world this year and Blume, third in 10.32sec, won the European indoor 60 metres title in March.

Given the improvement to be expected from ten weeks of training and competition between now and the Olympics. it is hard to imagine Christie, who lost his world title last year, not being tempted.

He refused even to discuss it yesterday. "No Olympic questions." he said to waiting journalists. Eleven months ago, he said on television that he would not be defending his Olympic title, but, when the season was over, he softened his stance, saying: "If I feel like it, I will change my mind." Yesterday he used different words, but delivered the same

Arnsberg is an industrial town, specialising in lighting systems, but there was little light coming from Christie. "If I go to the Olympics, you will see me there on TV," he said. "It is a long way ahead and I am not planning anything. I am running quite well and taking one race at a time."

Carl Lewis, for one, will not buy that. Lewis, twice the Olympic 100 metres champion, was quoted recently: "Absolutely Linford is going to run, he is just playing games." There were two statements that Christie was definite about. He will run for Great Britain in the European Cup next month and this season will be his last.

This was Christie's first race since his indoor season was cut short by injury three months ago and before which he had run a wind-assisted 10.00sec in Australia. He has clearly recovered. His time yesterday was a track record, beating the 10.24sec of Leroy Burrell, the world recordholder from the United States.

it was a curious choice of venue for Christie to begin his season, the small meeting attracting only 3,000 specia-tors and only two world champions — Astrid Kumbernuss (discus) and Lars Riedel (shot).

Christie's appearance fee 40,000 marks (around £17,500) was an unspoken incentive, but he was worth every plennig, according to Paul Senske, the editor of the sponsoring local radio station.
"To these people [the specta-tors], he is a fantastic hero," Senske said.

"He wants to do a lot of smaller meetings this year," Sue Barrett, Christie's manag-er, said. Christie added: "I want to try to go to places I have not been before." Such as Atlanta, perhaps?

Stockdale emerges as clear winner

By JENNY MACARTHUR

TIM STOCKDALE and Toggi Santa's Echo brought the showjumping events at The Royal Windsor Horse Show to a fitting climax when they won the Barbour grand prix, the richest event of the week, with the only clear round in the seven-horse jump-off. seven-horse jump-off.
It was Stockdale's third

successive grand prix win with the 15-year-old grey geld-ing — and the most satisfying. in a thrilling jump-off, on perfect ground in front of a vociferous crowd, he completed a faultless round against the clock which Great Britain's three leading Olympic contenders - Nick Skelton, plus Michael and John Whitaker — all failed to

Marion Hughes, of Ireland, making her first appearance at Windsor since 1981 - when she competed in the Pony Club Mounted Games - took second place with Flo Joe, her Queen Elizabeth II Cup-winner. Skelton, who was drawn last, was two seconds up on Stockdale's time, but hit the last fence on Sublime and finished third.

"I was sure he was going to win it. I couldn't help giving a cheer when he hit the last," Stockdale, who won £3,200, said. Skelton had made a similar mistake on Showtime, his Olympic contender, when trying to match Stockdale's round in the winning Maubeuge grand prix in France last month.

Stockdale, who also won the Jerez de la Frontera grand prix in February, has competed in Il Nations Cup events but, at 31, has yet to fulfil his ambition of riding in a British championship team. Atlanta is not a realistic prospect, but he hopes that Toggi Samoens, his young horse — in which he has invested most of his money - may take him to the Sydney Games.

His immediate concern is keeping Santa's Echo sound for the Spanish circuit later this month. For the past two years, the gelding has been sidelined through injury for several months after success at Windsor. "I'm very careful with him now and jump him sparingly." Stockdale said. Michael Whitaker was reas-

sured by the performance of Midnight Madness, his reserve horse for Atlanta, who was competing for the first time since his poor showing in Paris in March. Drawn fifth in the jump-off, the 13-year-old gelding, who won the event last year, just clipped the third fence to finish fourth.



Stockdale, on Toggi Santa's Echo, during his event-winning clear round at Windsor

George Bowman, who first won at Windsor in 1974, gained a popular tenth win in the Harrods driving grand prix, driving his team of two Cumbrian Cobs and two Russian Orlovs. Bowman, who lost his national title to Karen Bassett last September, had a faultiess round in the obstacle driving, the final phase, to finish eight points ahead of

Harry de Ruyter, of Holland, who won the marathon on

There was disappointment in the show ring for Katy Jones, on Mytilene, her mother's working hunter pony. They were announced the winners of the working hunter pony championship only to have it taken away from them

chesnut mare, who won last year when ridden by Hayden Hanky, refused to behave during the presentation

ceremony. Young Dragonara, the original reserve, was named the champion as Mytilene made an undignified exit from the

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Carretero fluffs walk-off part

FROM ALIX RAMSAY IN HAMBURG

ROBERTO CARRETERO match, but yesterday he still has a lot to learn about being a tennis champion. His most important lesson vesterday, having won the Panasonic German Open with a 2-6, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4 demolition of Alex Carretja, was to re-member to stick around to collect the winner's cheque. Carretero, 20, a qualifier

from Madrid, had never been in this position before and, having won the final, promptly packed his bags, waved to crowd and headed for the locker room. Fortunately for Carretero

and his bank balance, there were more experienced hands around to pull him back for the presentation and the E320,000 cheque. In one week, he has more than doubled his career earnings and, more valuable to him in the long run, jumped up the world rankings from 143 to the top

Throughout the week. Carretero has taken his time to warm to his task in every

started well against Carretja only to lose his way and the first set. The thundering forehand was as powerful as ever but not accurate enough, while his attempts to outwit Carretja from the net were often wide of the mark.

The men exchanged breaks at the start of the third set, but



be struggling more. Only after staving off three break points to level at 2-2 did he start to take charge again with his forehand finding its range. From there, it was a case of finishing off Carretja before cramp - this was his first fivematch - finished

Now Carretero has muscled his way into the limelight, the real test will be to prove he is not a one-hit wonder. With the cheque in the bank and his first trophy in his grasp, he has to start again in Rome this week with a first-round encounter with Mark Philip-

poussis. "I was nervous at first because I had never played in such a big final," he said. This is a real dream victory, it was unimaginable that I would come as a qualifier so far. At the presentation cere-mony, I didn't know what I was supposed to do. In the third set I got cramp and had to have a massage. I just couldn't play any more."

Tired Hingis fails final test

By Our Sports Staff

MARTINA HINGIS'S fairytale run at the Italian Open tennis tournament ground to a halt in Rome yesterday when much. she was swept aside. 6-2, 6-3, "It was not my forehand, it by Conchita Martinez, of

Spain, in the final. Martinez, who became the first woman to win the title four years in a row, was simply too strong physically and mentally for an opponent worn down by her efforts in reaching the final.

Martinez, who had easily won their only previous meet-ing — in the final in Hamburg last year — fully exploited an abysmal first-set performance by the young Swiss. Unrecognisable from the player who had defeated Steffi

Graf, the world No l, in the quarter-finals, Hingis, 15. sprayed her shots all round the court. Hingis said afterwards that

she had simply ran out of STEATTL. "It was too much after the last week," she said. "It was too hard to put the balls where I should have. With Conchita, you have to concentrate on every ball and it was too

was not my backhand, it was my head. I just couldn't concentrate." Martinez, using her power-

ful forehand to good effect, was able to break Hingis at will in the opening set as she



raced into a 5-0 lead. Hingis finally rallied, serving out for 5-1 and then broke Martinez for 5-2 before the skies opened and the rain came down to halt proceedings for 20

Martinez, though, returned to court no less determined, racing into a 40-0 lead before breaking Hingis to take the Hingis broke in the opening

contrived to lose her own service after being 40-0 up. The decisive moment in the second set came in the eighth game, when Martinez rattled up three break points at 40-0 and converted the second when Hingis put a return wide for 5-3.

Martinez immediately swept to 40-0 before a fine two-handed backhand winner down the line from Hingis pegged her back to 40-15.

However, she took the match on the next point, when

sailed beyond the baseline.



SPORT IN BRIEF Malaysia put paid to Britain's hopes

GREAT Britain's hopes of taking third place in the Sultan Azlan Shah hockey tournament in Ipoh. Malaysia, were dashed yesterday when they lost a penalty shoot-out 4-3 after a 2-2 draw with Malaysia (Sydney Friskin writes). South Korea beat Australia 4-2 on penalties after the final ended Britain hotly disputed the goal that gave Malaysia a 2-1 lead nine minutes into the second half, claiming that Vickneswaran, who had lunged at a free hit taken from

outside the circle, did not get a touch before the ball landed in the goal. Yuri Platanov, the Russian umpire, stuck to his guns after consulting the other umpire. Nick Thompson scored from a short corner a minute later to ease the pain.

In the first half, Mun Fatt Lam had scored for Malaysia in the seventh minute, with Robert Thompson equalising 13 minutes later from McGuire's free hit. Two players failed to find the terrat for Privile in the cheef out McGuire hit.

find the target for Britain in the shoot-out: McGuire hit a post and Mayer's shot was saved.

the others. Thompson has had a successful season at full back in England's 18 Group side, but he played against Italy on the wing, Paul Sampson appearing at full back.

MOTORCYCLING: Michael Doohan, right, the 500cc world champion from Aushis Honda in the Spanish Grand Prix in Jeréz, after Alex Criville, the local favourite, crashed on the final bend. Criville had held off a strong challenge from Doohan for 24 of the race's 27 laps, but, after being



Women make a point

BOWLS: The English Women's Indoor Bowling Association (EWIBA) beat their outdoor counterparts of the English Women's Bowling Association at Royal Learnington Spa on Saturday. Preferring to wear their indoor apparel rather than the outdoor dress code, which includes, among other things, hats and brown shoes, they won 113-110. "It's the way we dress indoors during the winter," an EWIBA official said.

Ivankov strikes gold

McDermott, of Great Britain, was joint-fourteenth on 54.650 points and Dominic Brindle was 22nd with 35.500 points.

Australians in final

produced the upset of the tournament in the quarter-finals when he beat Lachie Deuchar, the No 2 seed,

Faulds' Olympic boost

the English Open sporting championship at Shugborough shooting ground, Staffordshire, yesterday and gave a demonstration of his Olympic qualifying form. Faulds, the world and European junior champion, posted the highest advantage that he did not relinquish.

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round Stewart's cars.

three Formula One world championships. The body of one has lain in a grave in the Morumbi Cernctery, a rare oasis of green in the urban sprawl of São Paulo, for more than two years, his memory hallowed by his countrymen, remembered by most as the best driver there ever was. The other Brazilian was at a cold, windy Silverstone this weekend. his presence unheralded and

largely unnoticed.

Nelson Piquet is the Marlon Brando to Ayrton Senna's James Dean; a driver whose greatness has been distilled by the fact that he is still alive, that people have seen him grow old. He races for kicks now, dancing on the edge in only one respect. In a world that reveres Senna, Piquet is an

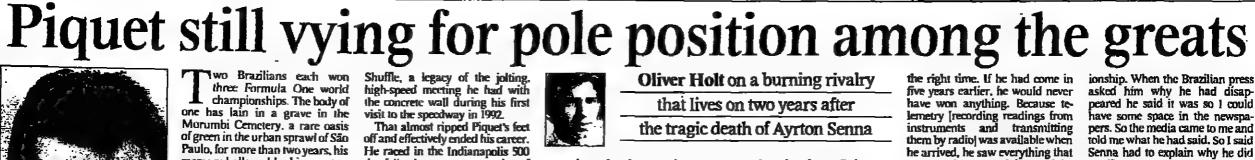
He is thinner now than when he won his titles in 1981, 1983 and 1987, his hair shorter, his face a little pinched as he nears his 44th birthday. He walks the slow, stumbling walk American motor racing people call the Indianapolis

high-speed meeting he had with the concrete wall during his first

visit to the speedway in 1992. That almost ripped Piquet's feet off and effectively ended his career. He raced in the Indianapolis 500 the following year as a point of pride and made sure he got a message to Nigel Mansell, his old adversary, who was tackling the track for the first time. "Book your hospital bed early to avoid the rush," Piquet told him. Thereafter, he wandered off into motor racing's hinterlands.

Sometimes, his name crops up in small headlines in one or other of the specialist magazines, "Nelson Piquet second in Spa 24-hour race," or "Piquet's new deal with BMW". They hardly register. He says he is an amateur driver now, using sportscar races in Europe as excuses for holidays, "When I am in the car, it's quite serious," he says, "but I am not going out there prepared to die any more."

He was at Silverstone, at the wheel of a BMW-powered McLaren GTR, finishing fourth in



Oliver Holt on a burning rivalry

that lives on two years after

the tragic death of Ayrton Senna

hypocrisy.

yesterday's four-hour endurance race, preparation for next month's Le Mans 24-hour race, one of his last driving ambitions. At first, he was reluctant to take part because he hates the emasculating changes that have been made to a circuit that used to be fast and free, but his Bigazzi team persuaded him it would be a good idea.

Some things have not change The man who once made tabloid news here for having two women pregnant at the same time, still has a beautiful companion by his side. The cynical humour that was so acidic it prompted some Brazilian journalists to nickname him "The Lemon" is still there, too. He is good company, colourful in a relaxed, self-assured way, one of the great characters whose loss Formula One is lamenting.

do," he says. "Senna was a very quick driver." he says, "very talented. But he was Piquet won the last of his world very lucky to be in Formula One at

championships in 1987 just as

Senna, was on the verge of

greatness. Their relationship was

never cordial. If many were sur-

prised that Alain Prost was a pall-

bearer at Senna's funeral after all

their previous enmity, they gave

Piquet credit for not attending and

laying himself open to charges of

The rivalry still remains, the

memories are fresh and piquant.

The other great drivers of the time,

Mansell, Niki Lauda and Prost

have glossed over the many diffi-

culties they had with Senna out of

respect for a great lost talent. Not Piquet, the man who once called

Senna "a São Paulo taxi driver".

"What I think determines what I

five years earlier, he would never have won anything. Because telemetry [recording readings from instruments and transmitting them by radio| was available when he arrived, he saw everything that Prost and I were doing and he copied it. He was not an inventive guy. He could not develop things. He got into a good car, the McLaren, and he won his three championships in that car. I won with different teams and engines.

"I am not saying he was better than me or I was better than him. There was no jealousy on my part because I had done everything before he had done anything. He was very efficient with his publicity machine and very into marketing and I did not care about that side. I drove and that was that. I did not want to be involved in all the rest of it.

"The bad part of our relation-ship started with a joke. He went away at the end of one season and did not appear until the start of the next one six months later. I had just won my third world champasked him why he had disap-peared he said it was so I could have some space in the newspapers. So the media came to me and told me what he had said. So I said Senna had to explain why he did not like women and when he saw that, he got very upset."

Piquet laughs when he finishes that story, almost in affection. He has avoided bitterness over Senna's achievements even if he is keen to put his own case and rubbish his rival's. His ego has been fortified by the naming of circuits after him in his home town, Rio de Janeiro, and in Brasilia, where he is building a satellite communications business. His belief in his own superiority has never been shaken.

There is one great ambition left, too. Piquet wants to start his own British Formula Three team within the next ten years so that his son. Nelson, ten, and a young karting champion, can compete in the series. There may never be another Ayrton Senna but the new Nelson

Harrington hurries towards his destiny

Piquet: won three world titles

FROM MEL WEBB IN MADRID

AS DAY became evening and him and his nearest rivals evening began to ease into night, Padraig Harrington was poised to become the sixth golfer this season to claim the first PGA European Tour victory of his career. The crown that waited to be dropped onto his head was that of the Spanish Open; there seemed nothing that could come between him and a momentous victory.

Harrington, 24, went into the final day knowing that he would have to hold his nerve not for 18 holes, but 36. Rain rattled down like stair-rods at Club de Campo the previous day, and play was abandoned at 2.45pm, whereupon Mike

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(Swe) 69, 70, 68; F. O'Malley (Aug. 67, 70,
71; G. Brand, Jr. 70, 67, 71; P. Haugstud
(Nor) 68, 69, 71, 209: M. A. Mestri, (So) 71,
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73, 70, 68; D. Canter 70, 70, 72; L.
Westwood 68, 72, 72; M. Wills 67, 70, 75. Great Battely and instead unless pres-

tor, decided that two rounds should be played on the final

"I am trying to preserve the integrity of the game, rather than taking the easy option," Stewart said. On the other hand, a cogent case could be made for describing a decision to play only 18 not as easy but sensible. Integrity is a fine thing, but so, sometimes, is

pragmatism. As it transpired, Stewart's decision was vindicated — just
— but it was nonetheless fraught with danger. There seemed little to gain and much to lose by going for 36 holes in the day, especially when play was delayed for just over two hours by of all things, fog, in the morning. With the course still damp from the day before, steady rain for half an hour would have brought the whole fragile edifice clattering down

Harrington, three times a Walker Čup player, already had clear daylight between

when he finished his second round in the dim and distant past of Friday. Yesterday he turned his lead from commanding to overwhelming with a 67, the lowest score of the third round. It was hardly anybody's tournament to win. but it was certainly his to lose. The only way another man could climb onto the victory rostrum would be Harrington's failure or fear of

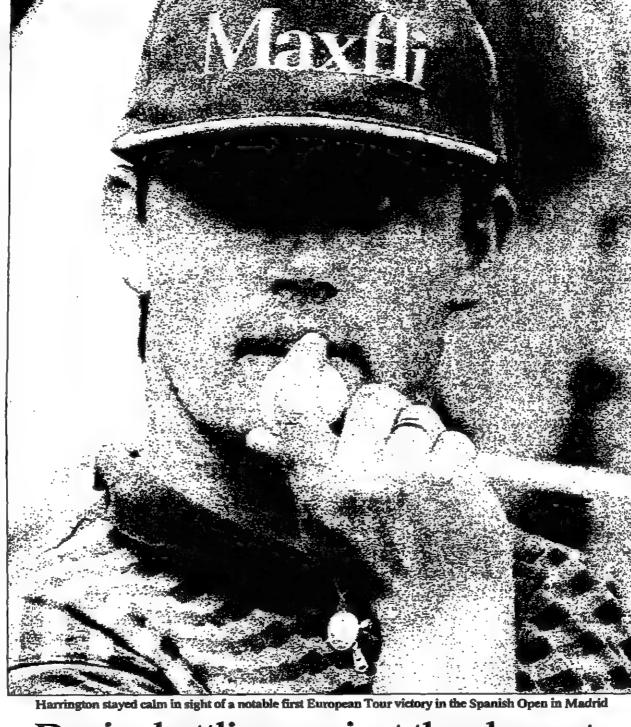
As it transpired, neither failure nor fear was on the agenda. He had only one bogey in the third round, at the 11th, his second. It did not deter him, for he retrieved the slip with three consecutive birdies and another at the 17th to reach the turn in 33. Two more birdies coming home meant that, as he munched a late light lunch, he had the comfort of a six-shot advantage separating him from Pedro Linhart, his nearest rival, who was playing two groups ahead of him.

His lead was immediately extended to seven without him hitting a ball in the afternoon when Linhart bogeyed the 2nd only for Peter O'Malley to bring it back to six shortly afterwards with a birdle on

John O'Reilly, Harrington's veteran caddie, bears more than a passing resemblance to the elder Steptoe, but his stewarding of his young master is not in the slightest degree funny. O'Reilly was at Harrington's side as he slid an eight-foot putt in for a birdie on the 1st hole, and when O'Malley dropped a shot on the 3rd, Harrington was eight

shots ahead. He had another birdie on the par-five 4th when he twoputted from 40 feet, and was hardly shaken out of his composure by a bogey on the 5th, the result of slicing into some trees, missing the green from there, chipping on and taking two putts from ten

The bogey was a rare occurrence — with nine holes to play he had had only three of them in 63 holes as against 19 birdies. It would take a collapse of monumental proportions for him not to win by the largest margin of the Euro-



Davies battling against the elements

FROM PATRICIA DAVIES IN WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

MARK FULCHER, caddying for Laura Davies in the raindisrupted McDonald's LPGA Championship at the DuPont Country Club here, reckoned his boss would need a 68 in the third and final round yesterday, to win the title. David Davies, Laura's father, just laughed. "If you have a 68," he said, "you'll win by

The official par was 71 but a bitingly cold, blustery wind, allied to the squelchy conditions underfoot, made 75 a more realistic figure. Davies's 36-hole total of 143, one over par, had left her three strokes

defending champion, who had a glorious birdie three at the last to complete her sec-

ond round yesterday. A thunderstorm had nut an abrupt end to the proceedings on Saturday afternoon when Robbins still had ten holes to play. In a battle against the elements, she came through best of all, hitting a five wood to 20 feet at the 18th and holing the putt. She was on 140, a shot ahead of Hiromi

Kobayashi, of Japan. Davies, who had to play two holes, the eighth and ninth, had a double bogey five at the former, a mini monster of 192 yards, where she hit a four-iron short, chipped to eight feet and then three-putted.

Worst of all was the demise of Catrin Nilsmark, the first round leader. The tall Swede. resumed yesterday at two under par with II holes left and shot 82, for a total of 149, to miss the cut by a shot. She bogeys, double bogeyed the 13th, one of DuPont's monstrous par threes, added two bogeys and, shellshocked, somehow

parred the last three holes. The new-look Nancy Lopez - two stone lost since January and working out every day dropped five shots in the seven holes she had to play, including four-putting

loth for a double bogey seven, to slip from leading at four under par to one over.

US Open champion Annika Sorenstam - "I don't know how many greens I hit but it wasn't many" — survived by chipping and putting beautifully, to be in the quartet on level par.

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St Helens put on repeat performance

London Broncos ...

BY CHRISTOPHER JRVINE

ST HELENS matched their comeback in the Silk Cut Challenge Cup final two weeks ago when they retrieved a 14-point deficit last night to deny an extraordinarily brave effort by London Broncos and retain their unbeaten record, four points clear of Wigan in the Stones Super League.

Whereas Bradford Bulls wilted under the high ball at Wembley, the Broncos buckled from a position 22-8 ahead under the pressure of St Helens' sheer persistence. Nevertheless, they had justi-fied quibbles with the first of three St Helens tries in the last 23 minutes, scored by Simon Booth after what looked like a forward pass. Scott Gibbs, not surprising-

ly, was barracked for the confirmation that rugby union is where he sees his future. Cardiff have talked with the former Wales centre and St Helens will accept the highest bid - Richmond and

Newcastle are others in the hat - to buy Gibbs out of the two years remaining on his

Perhaps the cat-calls had a wider effect, for something was certainly amiss with St Helens. They were guilty of more mistakes in the first half, when they trailed 18-8, than they had been in the entire season. Attempting to force the pass against a heavytackling London pack, the usual dangerous wide running of McVey and Perelini was unsuccessful. In defence,

they were also uncomfortable. Paul Newlove was at fault in London's opening try. The world's most expensive player missed the ankles of Barwick, who raced on to McCrae's neat pass before adding the first of several touchline conversions. Although Newlove quickly made amends — from 40 metres out, he beat Tollett. left Langer groping and then stepped back inside Barwick to score - St Helens seemed unable to impose themselves and, instead, London tightened their stranglehold. Mc-Crae's inventive kick bounced high and kinder for Roskell than Prescott, who paid for his hesitation in failing to get

across to snuff out the danger When Gill high-tackled Hammond, Goulding gratefully collected two points with a goal, but, on the stroke of half-time, Bawden rampaged up the middle, Barwick's accuoc and Minto got finger-tip pressure to the bobbling ball over the line. The video official was summoned, but the try

was never in doubt. Searching for the break-through, St Helens persisted with brute force - not that London were about to buckle, yet anyway. Barwick, lethal as a kicker in open play, also again demonstrated his nimbleness in restricted space, out-witting the St Helens cov-er after McRae had cleverly kept possession alive and worked the ball out wide.

St Helens' failure to get the ball out to their wings quickly enough stymied them for long periods. Goulding's kicking did not produce its normal trouble and although one cross-field effort reached Arnold, the wing was wrapped up by the London defence.

Finally, in the 58th minute, the fightback began. Goulding, under pressure from Roskell, flicked a pass out to Booth, who crashed in under the posts. While the

lestyn Harris, their stand-off half, guided Warrington to a 36-26 victory over Sheffield Eagles yesterday, scoring two tries and eight goals; he off amassed 24 points in all. Great Britain will play three internationals against New Zealand and visit Papua New Guinea and Fili in October. under a revised tour itinerary that is expected to be announced today.

pass was forward and London were justified in their grievance about it, the score had a galvanising effect on St Helens. Under desperate pressure, London succumbed to Gibbs, who provided an emphatic answer to his grandstand critics. Goulding missed the conversion, but put St Helens ahead for the first time ten minutes from the end when Matautia fed Martyn for a try that brought the house down.

In a nervous finale, Gibbs shouldered Paul into touch and was helped from the field for his pains, this time to

for his pains, this time to resounding cheers.

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Confident Doherty takes control

BY PHIL YATES

KEN DOHERTY, flush with confidence after recording one of the outstanding results of the snooker season, established a 6-2 lead over Steve Davis after the first session of the final of the Dr Martens European League at Irthling-

borough yesterday. Doherty, who trounced Stephen Hendry, the world champion, 6-0 in the semifinals on Saturday, moved within four frames of collecta ing the £50,000 winner's cheque as Davis struggled to find his touch from the start yesterday.

Not surprisingly, Doherty found it impossible to reproduce the exceptional standard of snooker which had enabled him to inflict the first whitewash on Hendry since he was defeated 5-0 by Joe Swail in the qualifying competition of the 1992 Asian Open.

On the way to completing victory in just 72 minutes, Doherty fluently compiled breaks of 102, 76, 94, 83, 40 and 72 as he fully exploited a



Doherty: title in sight

Hendry, who looked understandably jaded after the long haul to winning his sixth world championship at the Crucible in Sheffield seven

days ago. Doherty, also successful mistakes from against Hendry in the semifinals of the German Open and Thailand Open, and in the quarter-finals of the Benson and Hedges Irish Masters, is now undefeated in five

successive meetings with the world No I since December. The early exchanges against Davis, who beat Peter Ebdon 6-2 in the other semi-final, were predominantly scrappy. Doherty won a low scoring second frame with a brown-topink clearance and led 3-1 before the quality of play

improved significantly in the second half of the session. Doherty put together runs of 64 and 74 to increase his

advantage but the biggest blow for Davis, attempting to win the 71st tournament of his 18-year professional career and claim his first title since the Regal Welsh Open of January 1995, was the loss of the seventh frame.

Davis led 45-0 but missed a straightforward red. Doherty responded with 42 and, after a short safety duel. Davis misjudged a swerved escape from a snooker, leaving the last red over a baulk pocket for Doherty to pounce. Doherty decisively cleared to the blue before adding the

That left him requiring only four of the remaining II frames to lift his first trophy since the 1994 Regal Scottish Masters.

closing frame of the afternoon.

Claymores outgun Galaxy

FROM RICHARD WETHERELL IN FRANKFURT

MURRAYFIELD will host the World Bowl on June 23 after Scottish Claymores dominated the previously unbeaten Frankfurt Galaxy on Saturday. The 20-0 victory in Germany, based on a superbly-directed defence, the run-

ning of Siran Stacy and the catching of Sean LaChapelle, means both sides end the first half of the World League of American Football season with four wins and one defeat. If teams are level, the tiebreaker is the result in the game between them, so the Claymores can start planning

champions lost out on two "We played as an entire team throughout the game," Jim Criner, the Claymores' head coach, said. Referring to

ahead while the defending

last year, when he won just two games after taking over in the week before the first game, he added: "How sweet it is to go from the outhouse to the penthouse."

The Claymores defence baffled the Galaxy offence so comprehensively that the league's most prolific team never looked capable of scoring. Their quarterbacks threw five interceptions, two of which were collected by James

As ever, the visitors attack was based almost solely on Stacy, the running back, and LaChapelle, the wide receiver. With 133 yards the former is now the all-time World

League leading rusher. Paul McCallum's two field goals in the first and third quarters were a poor reward

for their efforts, but LaChapelle's 21-yard touchdown reception in the final quarter put the Claymores 13-0 ahead, and the game was settled soon after when the Galaxy's next play produced the second of Fullers' interceptions. After a typical drive revolving around Stacy. Thomas took over to score from three yards. Having the honour of host-

ing the final appeared well beyond the Claymores when they trailed the London Monarchs 21-7 in the opening game. They eventually won 24-21 in overtime and the Monarchs' 28-9 away defeat against Amsterdam Admirals means an England v Scotland final is highly improbable Their record is now one victory and four defeats.



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Tomorrow: the winner

T-shirt prediction has ring of truth Woeful Leicester

Crystal Palace2

WHETHER it was mischievous intent or misplaced arro-gance, several Crystal Palace players wore T-shirts, bearing the logo "Premier League 1996", when they turned up at The Valley yesterday. For 45 minutes of the first leg of the Endsleigh Insurance League first division play-off, it seemed that the jolly jape had having turned around a 1-0 deficit, their confidence of a quick return to the FA Carling Premiership appeared entirely

Though there is still a second leg of the semi-final to be played, and a subsequent decider against Leicester City or Stoke City at Wembley, Palace are on course to regain their place among the elite. They have lost only four times in 21 matches since the arrival of Dave Bassett as manager and, on such a roll, will take some stopping.
Palace needed a half-time

pep-talk from Bassett yester-day before finding their true form. "In the first half, we played as individuals and not as a team," he said. "I suggested to the lads that perhaps they could play the way we had asked them to and, fortunately, they responded."

Unlike some of his players. Bassett, who is homing in on his seventh promotion, declined to make any presum-ptious statements. "We will ptious statements. "We will not be complacent," he said. There is no way we are going home crowing.

Palace had ended the regulation season on a high note, rising from sixteenth place to third under Bassett's tuition. Charlton, with only one victory from their closing nine matches, nervously clung to sixth position, courtesy of lpswich Town's failure to beat Millwall on the final day.

Perhaps the Charlton players had already seen, or been told, of the provocative Palace printing, such was the ferocity of their opening bombardment and they took only 55 seconds to pummel their way through the Palace defence. Jackson's cross from the



Brown acknowledges his own delight and that of the Palace supporters after volleying the equaliser against Charlton at The Valley

least three minds. Ultimately, he exercised a wrong option, rocketing a diving header at Martyn, his own goalkeeper. Though Martyn did well to block the unexpected goal attempt, he was unable to prevent Newton from neatly

tucking in the rebound. The goal signalled a frenzied, often ugly, spell of south-east London rivalry and there

for a foul on Tuttle, did things calm down. Palace recovered. slowly, with Houghton in businesslike mode in midfield. All too frequently, though, imaginative approach work foundered against Rufus and Balmer, the Charlton centre backs, and only a spectacular save from Martyn prevented Newton from adding a second

referee, had booked Newton,

Rash challenges littered the

second half, too. Cool heads were called for, but few were evident, the occasion getting the better, or worse, of many as Andersen and Leaburn joined Newton in Kirkby's

From amid the bitterness, Palace emerged the stronger. Charlton appeared content to preserve what they had and, predictably, the pressure mounted, culminating in two Palace goals in the space of six minutes. Brown volleyed in the first, in the 65th minute, after Freedman's shot had been blocked by Petterson. Another Freedman effort

was smothered by Petterson. but, from the resultant corner, Palace went ahead. Ndah's acrobatic overhead kick dropped fortuitously into the six-yard area and Veart reacted quickly, stooping to glance it past Petterson for his first

Only then did Charlton venture forward with any real passion, but it was too little, too late. Perhaps regulars at The Valley can print their Tshirts already: "Football League first division, 1996".

CHARLTON ATHLETIC (44-2): A Patierson — M Jackson R Rubus, S Beimer, C Whyle — M Robson (sub D Whyle, Tzmini, L Bower, J Robusta, S Neston, C Leeburn, B Alben (sub: G Neston, 51) CRYSTAL, PALACE (5-2-3): N Mertyn — M Edworthy, A Roberts, D Tuttle, L E Anderson (sub: R Quinn, 85), K Brown — R Houghton, D Pitcher — C Veer, D Freedman, G Notah

allow Stoke to seize initiative

By PETER BALL

STOKE CITY got what they deserved in the Filbert Street sunshine yesterday. A goalless draw in a desperately poor game tilts the advantage their way for the second leg of their Endsleigh Insurance League first division play-off semifinal at the Victoria Ground on Wednesday evening.

When you are away in the first game, you don't want to lose, and we have achieved that," Lou Macari, the Stoke manager, said, "but we might have done better, we had two good chances in the first ten minutes and missed both of them, but that has gone now. We start level on Wednesday, it will be another cup-tie now. and there is no guarantee that we will play as well then."

Leicester have half a Premiership ground with two imposing stands, and two that would not be out of place at Mansfield or Hereford. Yesterday. Filbert Street was full. and it felt like the home of a big club, but, on this performance, it is questionable whether they have even half a

Premiership team.
Although Stoke now have home advantage, the game is far from over. Leicester have a good away record and it is difficult to believe that they

can play as badly again.
"I've videoed this, but you wouldn't want to watch it again, would you?" a despairing supporter remarked with ten minutes to go. Only a masochist would have answered "Yes".

The appalling pitch did nothing for Leicester's passing game, but play-off nerves did even more damage. Until the arrival of Parker, the general of the side until Mark McGhee's departure, in the 57th minute, Leicester had made but one telling pass.

The fear of making mistakes and Stoke's constant physical challenge led to negative pass after negative pass, followed by the ball being banged

Stoke central defender, got the man-of-the-match award; Leicester's attacks made it easy for him and Sigurdsson to keep them at bay. Leicester might have been

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out of the game in the first five minutes. First. Claridge, under pressure, tried to pass back to Poole: Sturridge intercepted and had a free run on goal, but Poole blocked his shot with his legs. A minute later, Stoke had an even better chance as Potter met Devlin's cross about five yards out. Somehow, Poole, coming back from the near post, got his body in the way of the header, "The first save was brilliant,



tic; I don't know how he kept it out, but it kept us in the game," Martin O'Neill, the Leicester manager, said. Sadly, instead of that being

the start of a thrilling game, it was to prove the highlight. The remaining 85 minutes dragged on interminably and, aithough Stoke looked the sharper side, they never created anything so promising again, although Gleghorn and Devlin both had reasonable claims for penalties ignored by the referee.

were a series of niggly fouls. Only after John Kirkby, the Play-off expert Warnock may still have last word

Colchester United 1 Plymouth Argyle0

By ALYSON RUDD

COLCHESTER United, for all their heroics and deserved victory at Layer Road in the third division play-off semifinal yesterday, remain the underdogs. Neil Warnock, the Plymouth Argyle manager, is king in the land of the play-off and Plymouth can be expected to lift their game and their

morale for the second leg on

Wednesday. Play-off semi-finals are an indignity or a glorious boon it all depends on how a team reached them. Plymouth were on course, and fully expected, to gain automatic promotion to the second division this season. They missed out by just one point and probably cannot comprehend that their season is still grinding

along.
Colchester have squandered early promise in their past four seasons since regaining and could hardly believe their luck as results around the country went in their favour on the final day of the season

and they squeezed into the

was Colchester who zoomed around the pitch with zest and optimism. Plymouth looked impatient and irritable — at one point, Heathcote and Leadbitter began pushing at each other with a marked lack

scuffle between his players was timely. "I was very pleased, to be honest," he said. I was thanking Leadbitter at half-time for getting him

Three Musketeers spirit and, after a dire opening 15 minutes, slowly took charge. Cawley headed wide, Cherry ous curling cross from Kinsella, and then McGleish attempted a spectacular overhead kick that he flicked wide

Undeterred, Colchester pressed harder. McGleish had another two excellent opportunities and then, seconds before half-time, Kinsella, a product of the club's youth scheme, took the one-for-all attitude. He neatly side-stepped the

challenge of Barlow and, from 25 yards fired, an exquisitely

Not surprisingly, then, it

Warnock claimed that the

had to back peddle and spring skywards to tip over a danger-

of the unright.

play-offs.

placed shot past Cherry. The firming of the goal simply meant that Plymouth had the interval in which to lose any sense of being rudely awakened. Colchester took charge once again and, in the 62nd minute, Reinelt's blistering of camaraderie. strike bounced off an upright. At last, Warnock's side took

the bait. Leadbitter's free kick curled to the far post and, had Heathcote reached it with a firmer touch, it would have led to a certain goal. Billy, too, looked destined to equalise when left with a clear run to [Heathcote] going."

Colchester had plenty of the goal and only Emberson to beat. Billy lifted the ball over the goalkeeper and wide of the

Do not read too much into this result, however. Warnock has won three play-off finals twice with Notts County and once with Huddersfield Town. With home advantage in the second leg. Wembley can only beckon.

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COLCHESTER (4-4-2) C Emberson — T McCarthy, P Coarloy, G Carcar, S Betts — C Fry, T Denns, M Kinsella, P Gibbs (sub. A Looke, 76mm) — S McGlesch, R Reinett. PLYMOUTH ARGYLE (3-5-2): S Cherry — R Logan, M Hesthootie, C C Curran — M Pottlerson, M Barlow (R Mauge, 55), C Loadbitter, C Billy P Williams — A Littlejohn, M Evens (C Corazzin, 87).

Referee: M Pierce.

Blackpool take step in right direction

By Our Sports Staff

IT ALL went sadly wrong for Blackpool. With just weeks to go to the end of the season, promotion from the Endsleigh Insurance League second division was within their grasp yet they threw it away and Oxford United stole into the first division in their stead. A tawdry finish to a frustrating afternoon against Swindon Town at Bloomfield Road, bringing bad publicity aplenty, bard-

ly beloed matters.

Yesterday, however, Blackpool set about putting things right. Condemned to scrapping for the spare promotion place via the dreaded play-offs, they began promisingly, beating Bradford City 2-0 at Valley Parade. They broke the deadlock after 71 minutes. when Tony Ellis scored with a superb left-foot shot, and sealed the win through Mark Bonner's header seven minutes later.

There was also an away win, 2-l, for Darlington in their third division play-off with Hereford United, but they had to bounce back from the shock of Smith putting Hereford ahead after two minutes. Darlington drew level in the 27th minute with a header from Gregan and Blake scored

the winner ten minutes

John Gorman, the Scottish-born former Swindon Town manager, has agreed to become Glerm Hoddle's assistant in the England set-up next season. Gorman's appointment has yet to be confirmed by the Football Association, but it is understood the present Bristol City assistant manager has accepted the chance to renew his partpership with Hoddle, established when Hoddle was the manager at

Swindon. A dramatic 82nd-minute goal from Stephen Geoghegan, the striker, earned Sheibourne a 2-l win over St Patrick's Athletic, their Dublin rivals, in the Football Association of Ireland Cup final replay at Dalymount Park yester-day. St Patrick's had gone ahead in the 59th minute through Campbell's header, but Shelbourne equalised after 72 minutes through Sheridan.

Seasonal hoodoo returns to haunt profligate Crewe

Crewe Alexandra 2 Notts County

By David Maddock

THERE would appear to be something of an aversion to the play-off system at Gresty Road. Three times in the past five years, Crewe Alexandra have drawn a losing ticket in that particular lottery, and it seems that a fourth disap-

pointment is on the way. They contrived to throw away a winning position against Notts County by conceding two goals through poor defending, the second deep into stoppage time at the end of the match. Such generosity suggests that County will hold the upper hand when the sides meet again on Wednesday for the return leg of this Endsleigh Insurance League second division play-off semi-

County emerged as favourites to reach Wembley thanks to an equalising goal in the second minute of stoppage time from Gary Martindale, the substitute. Crewe's vacant defence stood idly as Battersby exploited a vast amount of space in the box and crossed

for Martindale to head into first to the ball, but he conthe net from close range. Such defending has seen Crewe lose ten out of 14 games during the run-in, and frequently sent Dario Gradi, the manainto an apoplectic

He did not disappoint after this game. "We were awful, we just didn't play at all, and I haven't got a clue how we will play in the return leg." he said. 'i'm sure we'll run about, but whether we play with any brains is another matter - we certainly didn't today."

They did manage a coherent enough display in the first half to take a two-goal lead, thanks largely to the influence of Danny Murphy in midfield. His absence, through injury. for the final 15 minutes allowed County back into the Crewe had taken the lead in

the third minute when a corner by Rivers was allowed to reach Colin Little, who was unmarked, and he scored with an emphatic header.

They went further ahead when Steve Macauley, a makeshift centre forward, delivered a wonderful through ball for Rivers to chase. Ward, the County goalkeeper, was

trived to blast his clearance against the legs of Rivers, and the ball rolled cruelly into the

Murphy hit a post, Rivers hit the goalkeeper from close range and Macauley missed a rather simple header as Crewe were presented with chances to put the tie beyond reasonable doubt. Such profligacy gave County encouragement. and they clawed their way back into the match after 53 minutes. Again it was a poor goal to concede, Unsworth, the Crewe full back, gave the ball to Steve Finnan, who promptly found the corner of the

Colin Murphy, the Notts County general manager, belleves that his side are now in a strong position. "We had a monstrous start, but we played very well in the second half and we have the importance now of the two away goals," he said.

CREWE ALEXANDRA (4-3-3) M Gayle — Washwood, C Lightfool, B McAllister, Unsworth — R Savage, D Murphy (6 Blts 75) G Whalley (sub* W Collins, 69mm) — Little, E Macauley, M Rivers (sub F Tierm 69)

NOTTS COUNTY (4-4-2) DWard — S Derry, S Murphy, G Strodder, I Barraclough — S Riman, P Rogers, I Richardson, A Agana — T Bertersby, G Jones (G Manindale

Croydon one victory away from double

CROYDON go into the final match of the Women's Premier National League season, against Arsenal tomorrow, needing victory to complete a league and cup double (Sarah Forde writes).

They picked up four points from their two matches at the weekend, with three coming from the clash with Doncaster Belles, their rivals for the title, on Saturday.

The Belles, for whom a draw would have secured the title, scored first through Karen Walker, but Croydon equalised before half-time thanks to Hope Powell, and their second-half dominance was rewarded with further goals from Powell and Donna

Yesterday, Croydon drew I-I with Liverpool, whom they beat in the UK Living Wornen's FA Cup final.

Stead plays by the book

By Walter Gammie

FOR the second day running, a Wembley final was illumi nated by a textbook goal. Carl Stead's strike might not win lasting acclaim beyond north Lincolnshire, but the goal that set Brigg Town on the way to winning the FA Carlsberg Vase yesterday could not have been dispatched better by Eric Cantona himself.

Taking a half-cleared cross by Simon Roach on his chest. Stead struck the ball perfectly on the bounce with his left foot to beat Carlo Nash, the Clitheroe goalkeeper, from 20 yards. The goal, in the 37th minute, swung an evenly-matched contest the way of the Northern Counties East

League side. Stead, with equal aplomb, tucked away a penalty in the open goal seemingly beckoned

65th minute, and an own goal four minutes from the end wrapped up a convincing

Stead's unrelated namesake, Nathan, a marauding presence complete with flapping mane of blond hair, was a powerhouse throughout. It was his forceful run into the penalty area and fierce shot that Stephen Lodge, the refer-ee, adjudged Neil Baron to have handled for Carl Stead's

Nathan Stead then helped to make Brigg's superiority complete when he picked out Roach running into the area. The winger twisted, turned and finally put in a shot that was sliced high into his own net by Lampkin, the Clitheroe full back.

Counties League, had spar-

kled at the start, but, after

Mark Greaves saw off an

early scare, clearing when an

Clitheroe, of the North West

after Rouine's overlap, the Brigg defence was unyielding. The loss of Buckley, their central defender, after 19 min-utes, was barely felt as Mail the former Blackburn Rovers player, shut the door on The traditional Wembley

scenes of elation were a superb way for Ralph Clayton to celebrate an enduring rela-tionship with Brigg. Clayton, 53, whose playing aspirations had been wrecked by a knee injury as a teenager with Scunthorpe United, managed them from the age of 21 for a decade before returning eight years ago and masterminding

ERIEGE TOWN (4-4-2). R Gaethorpe — G. Thompson, M. Greaves taubt: S. Clev, 84min), N. Buckley (2ubt: D. Mall. 19). S. Rogars — M. Estan, D. McL. and, C. Steed, N. Steed (aub. G. MoNally, 89) — S. Roach, A. Flounders.

CLITHEROE (4-4-2). C. Nash — N. Rowbothem (aub. N. Otiey, 74), N. Boron, S. Westwel, S. Lampkin — C. Grmshaw, A. Rouine, G. Butcher, D. Häl (aub. C. Dunn, 80) — A. Darbyshre, A. Tayfor (aub. G. Smath, 74).

Partick Thistle1 Dundee United1 By Kevin McCarra

THE pair of Dundee United supporters who arrived stripped to the waist with their

torsos dyed orange were presumably immune to the cold, but they may still have felt a chill creeping over them. Only five minutes from the end of the first leg of this play-off did their expensive team scramble a draw through Christian Dailly's goal.

On Thursday, at Tannadice, though, United, at present of the Bell's Scottish League first division, will expect to swap places with Thistle, of the premier division. The significance of the game was enough to make an impartial onlooker wince. Thistle are an impoverished club and there are players in the team, approaching the end of their contracts,

who know that they may lose their full-time livelihoods if relegation is not avoided.

United have more funds, but a further season in the first division would bring anguish to them as well. The firm of accountants who chose to sponsor the game had, given the financial issues, picked an apt fixture. A club that loses its top flight status forgoes around El million a year.

As if there were not enough to fear, this encounter also contained an element of chance. The startlingly bad surface at Firhill - churned and pitted - will make the most skilful player look inept at times. Local knowledge does not even seem to be of benefit, for Thistle last won

there on December 2. When they took the lead yesterday, the goal came, predictably enough, when the ball was at last forced to sit still. The free kick, after 19 minutes, was awarded after Pressley

McDonald. From 25 yards, Lyons curled a fierce shot round the wall and into the

corner of the net. It was his sixth goal in ten appearances since signing from Wigan Athletic's re-serves for £30,000. Murdo MacLeod, the Thistle manager, was acquainted with him principally because they had met on a golf outing before a match. The Firhill club is used to surviving on astuteness and

a little serendipity. "Thistle are rising again, says the slogan on the back of the jackets worn by supporters. This is rather overstating the case, since the team has, so far successfully, been scrambling to avoid relegation ever since 1992, when they were promoted.

United have costlier and supposedly better players, but the Thistle were more spirited and adroit in the first half. Gradually, however, Billy

Dailly goal may prove invaluable supremacy, only getting the better of Walker, the goalkeep-

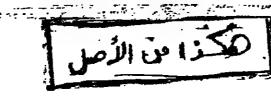
er. threatened to prove impossible. Most of United's frustration gathered inside Brewster. After 58 minutes, he lobbed the ball over Slavin and volleyed towards the goal, only to see his shot parried behind. Walker also diverted the forward's header for a corner 15

minutes from the end. In the 64th minute, Brewster even watched a shot come off the underside of the bar to bounce into the goalkeeper's arms. Walker's influence and good fortune finally expired when Dailly headed home Bowman's deep cross.

BOWMAIN'S GEEP CROSS.

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Milno, J Stovin. S Welsh, Watson — D
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DUNDEE UNITED (4-4-2). A Manwell — R
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Ferguson: exceptional

Ferguson's young, remod-elled team in achieving a second double in three years, a BBC Radio commentator excitedly made the comparison that the Busby Babes never even did it once". True enough, but we should pause before declaring that Ferguson's status equals, or exceeds, that of Sir Matt

Ferguson is an exceptional manager by any standard, and not merely in the matter of winning trophies. He has, like Busby, an uncanny knack of helping players to lift themselves, to perform up to or beyond their capacities. Yet what separated the two teams, so surprisingly, on a prosaic afternoon at Wembley was that Manchester United, more than Liverpool, delivered a collective, patient team performance; especially the young-

Ferguson has maintained Busby's principle, that the first duty is to put

xtolling the virtues of Alex also able, perhaps more than Busby. to make tactical calculations.

Twice in the league this season, Liverpool had out-manoeuvred United. Never mind that this was the FA Cup Final — the most conspicuous day on the calendar watched worldwide -- Ferguson intended to ensure that the same did not happen again. McManaman had to be stifled. Keane, with perhaps his best display of the season, and ably supported by Beckham. Neville and Irwin. shadowed McManaman heartlessly. United displayed a patience

that was typical of . . . Liverpool.

To have won the double with this team is indeed a tribute to the manager in what might have been an interim season. Like Busby, Ferguson promoted the youngsters. Butt, Beckham, Scholes and the Nevilles, and they confirmed the old adage that, if you're good enough, you're old enough. It was last year when United

should have repeated the double, the club's money out on the field for and it was undoubtedly Cantona's the benefit of the spectators. He is extraordinary folly at Crystal Palace



David Miller contends it is too soon to promote the United manager's record

above that of a famous forerunner

that primarily prevented their from doing so, just as he has now assuredly been, once more, the fulcrum of another twin triumph.

To say, however, that the victory on Saturday surpasses the era of Busby's famous side is a shade unfair. When, in 1957, United went to Wembley seemingly needing only to stand up to defeat Aston Villa. they were denied by a grotesque foul. When McParland, Villa's Northern Ireland winger, broke the cheekbone of Wood. United's goalkeeper, with a head-on charge in the early minutes, there were then no substitutes. Jackie Blanchflower had to be withdrawn into goal, disrupting the whole team. The next February, five of the "Babes", and eight players in all, perished at

It is significant that, of the five post-war managers with sustained success in England - Busby, Shankly, Nicholson, Paisley and Ferguson — three have been Scots. It has something to do with a blend of discipline and passion, and the communication of these qualities to the players, both young and old. Bryan Robson, who never played under Busby, tells how the old man always advised him that "you should play for fun, otherwise

there's no point". The communication between Ferguson and his men is all too evident. both when they regained the league title against Middlesbrough and now again at Wembley. The warmth of the embraces was sincere, not histrionic; a bond that was apparent when I first interviewed

The warmth, the benevolence, in Busby's eyes was always visible, in victory and defeat. Ferguson's eyes are unusual. They can be cold and harsh when he is angry, but a smile returns to the eyes whenever he talks about what his players give to the club, to the game, to him.

His players have now reached the heights because they ended the season with a remarkable spell of sustained resolve. Giggs, whose talents are so often equivocal, and Beckham gave the kind of determined display that Ian Callaghan and others long ago made the hallmark of Liverpool

Where Ferguson has been fortunate is to have escaped from the worst error of his career. Poor Cole. Devoid of touch and understanding in team work, consistently squandering possession during United's early dominance on Saturday, he must be replaced if the team is to make its mark in the European Cup Champions' League -- the arena in

Busby. What about Yeboah, [

In Busby's four famous teams -1948, 1957-58, 1963, 1966-68 -- he made no bad buy. Rowley. Delaney, Gregg. Berry, Taylor, Cantwell, Crerand, Setters, Herd, Law and Stepney all delivered. Only Quixall, in the 1963 Cup side, was no more than a moderate success.

Ferguson is entitled to celebrate: three championships, three FA Cups, runner-up once in both and European Cup Winners' Cup in the past six years of a ten-year reign. Before that, with Aberdeen, he collected three Scottish champion-ships, three Scottish Cups and a

Cup Winners' Cup. Busby, by comparison over 20 years, won five championships (runner-up seven times), two FA Cups (runner-up twice), and the European Cup. We should not seek to rate one above the other, merely be grateful that each has been dedicated to promoting the game as much as

Moment of genius decides moribund final

Cantona confirms his place among the greats

Manchester United 1

By Ros Hughes FUUTBALL CORRESPONDENT

IN SPORT, as sometimes in life, an hour of boredom can be transcended by a moment so sweet, so unexpected, that it seemed to be preordained. Such a moment came at almost the end of a moribund FA Cup Final at Wembley on Saturday when Eric Cantona, of course, scored the only

It gave Manchester United their achievement of the double-double, the first team in history to twice win the League and the FA Cup in the same season. Given that the team builder is Alex Ferguson, one is bound to toast this double in scotch; but it is laced with that gallic spice without which neither double would have been won.

"His first touch, his compo sure, his accuracy ... it had everything." So said Ferguson of Cantona's execution in that that you have it in your mind's eye right now for, provided that you stayed awake for the moment, it was exceptional

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The portents to the goal. however, were strange to say the least. David James, the Liverpool goalkeeper, who had caught almost everything else delivered into his goalmouth and had made stupendous reflex saves from Beckham and Cantona, tried reach a corner from

only fist the ball, and who should it then take a deflection

off but lan Rush. Rush, brought on as a substitute for the 670th and final appearance of an exalted Liverpool career, could not get out of the way and, after hitting his shoulder, the ball dropped to the only man who could have scored such a

difficult goal.

The ball, in fact, landed too close to Cantona. Neither you nor I could then have shown



such control of mind over hody to move ourselves backwards just 18 inches, and then to strike the ball with the right foot with such venom and such precision that, at very least, it was on target for the

Sublime skill, but again and again one tries to fathorn the magnetic quality that puts Cantona in such a position that he, and possibly he alone, can turn a match, particularly one in which he had been peripheral.

Certainly his contribution over the 90 minutes was little compared to the breathtaking physical feat of Roy Keane who, temper controlled for most of the match, helped to shape the boredom by sacrificing his surging spirit in a role in front of United's back four, snuffing out not only the athleticism of McManaman. but also stilling, at source, the rather tepid midfield leadership of the white-booted John

Still, there were elements to Cantona's goal that defy belief. One was that James. having collided with Wright, his own defender, was still grounded. Others were that no less than four Liverpool defenders stood static, as if mesmerised, as the ball travelled between them. Afterwards, before the lid

was lifted on United celebrations, Peter Schmeichel, the goalkeeper who himself had made saves through the season that had kept United in games that Cantona then won. was asked whether he had ever known such an influenindividual as the Frenchman?

Beckenbauer, Cruvff. Maradona, Pele," the Dane responded. He paused and pondered, then added: "But you put Eric in that company. game, he sees things other players never sec. He's brought up not in the English tradition of a striker, and that makes it difficult to defend

against him." Thank heavens for the moment. Earlier, Andy Cole, so fast at getting into scoring position, so abject and so trightened of opportunity, had looked the great contradiction to Ferguson's lauded judg-ment of purchasing. Had Cole remotely been the predator

the first 15 minutes when, alas, Liverpool were a betrayal of their true form.

Roy Evans, the Liverpool manager, could not defend the performance. He tacitly admitted what was wrong when he said: "United have been in gear the whole time, we came to Wembley having had a couple of games of, shall we say, indifferent performance. There's no doubt about it, we need to improve. OK, we've got some good young stuff along with old players, but we need a more professional attitude."

The truth, as ever, from Evans, but he now has some very harsh decisions to make on players who bore out that observation concerning lack of professional application. Some of them, in those dreadful Armani cream suits, look to have out on several pounds since the fitting a month ago.

They had come dressed like a Dixieland jazz band. They had laid back, unprofessionally indeed, in recent weeks, and now at a Cun Final, so help us. they were groping for the right notes, for the touch and rhythm that had twice in the League outplayed Manchester

Sadly, many of the Wembley audience deserved no better. I think not of the disturbed individual who spat at Cantona, nor the Liverpool lout who swung a punch at Ferguson. Far too many Liverpool followers taunted their United counterparts about Munich. Thousands of United followers, meanwhile, ignored the double team before them and spent much of the day, as they had at the FA Carling Premiership crowning at Middlesbrough last Sunday, chorusing the most lewd and crass song they have devised to abuse Kevin Keegan, the Newcastle United manager.

Blind fools; whatever their failings, Keegan's team entertains. Many of them must have paid £300 to attend two matches that brought their club history, and they brought numbing disrepute to it.

Maybe they can be redeemed, for they had before them the symbol of redemption. "The style is the man," could have been written for Cantona. It was penned three centuries ago by George Louis de Buffon, who also wrote: "Genius is nothing but a great



Giggs, the United forward, receives the ball as Scales, the Liverpool defender, closes in to suppress the threat

Keane, who proved so influential for United, faces up to the threat of Fowler

Supporting cast tell tale of two cities Michael Henderson says that Cantona's winning goal was a

he art of captaincy, Ian Chappell has said, is keeping those players who think you are a bastard away from those who are not quite sure. Australia's cricketers were eventually grateful for Chappell's bastardy and Manchester United's supporters would feel terribly deprived this morning were it not for Alex Ferguson's

contrariness. The United manager's achievement this season is without parallel in the history of English football. To win a second double in two years with a young team that is, at best, half-formed, boggles the mind. One could argue that his side is not the match of some that failed to win the old first division championship. but the deeds speak for themselves, and the antumn doubt-

ers have been routed. Wembley saw the best of English football neither on the field nor off it. It was a poor game, adorned by an extraordinary goal. That Cantona scored it was entirely apt. He has illuminated the

season and his qualities of intuition, balance and power were evident in that volley. It was a pearl, and all the more satisfying for being cast before swine.

With swift repositioning and a snap of his right foot, the Frenchman silenced those Liverpool supporters who had spent the previous two hours showing the world how adorable they are. A group perched below the Royal Box spent most of the time waving their arms to imitate planes, a reference to the Munich air crash. Their faces were portraits of sheer hatred, undilut-

ed by any trace of humanity. Not a single steward, it goes without saying attempted to admonish them, let alone turf them out. If this is not behaviour likely to cause a breach of the peace, what on earth is? To make light of tragedy in such a disgusting way, particularly when they

have acquaintance with a tragedy of their own. at Hillsborough, is unforgiveable.

fitting riposte to the excesses of sections of the Liverpool crowd

The "loveable Scouser" is one of the great canards of our time. Liverpool supporters are no more admirable than any others, and in many cases considerably worse, something that they do not need telling in Turin. Coming from Liverpool carries a burden in itself, for, as Alan Bennett has written, people there "have a cockiness that comes from being told too often that they and their city are special".

So, when Cantona went up to collect the Cup. a very special person indeed expectorated over him. Cantona gave him a look of pity. Another man tried to batter Ferguson as he followed his players up the steps, and when the manager said later "there was nothing silly", he was speaking no more than the truth.

This is how football supporters behave, particularly Liverpool's towards Manchester United. Compare the behav-iour of these "fans" with Leicester's at Twickenham last week, when their team lost the Pilkington Cup in contentious circumstances. They belong to different worlds.

There is envy in it. United are the most famous club in Great Britain, and the most successful, at the moment. There is history in it, too. Manchester has traditionally been the more prosperous city, from the Industrial Revolution through to the opening of the new Bridgewater Hall later this year. Manchester, though down at heel in some respects, faces the world confidently. Liverpool, a port that faces the wrong way, exports only self-pity.

United still have some distance to travel before they have a team capable of fulfilling all of their manager's ambitions. The memory of their last two forays into the European Cup is too fresh for anybody to make grand claims on their behalf, although, should they buy a topclass centre half and forward this summer, their chances of terrifying Europe will be that much greater.

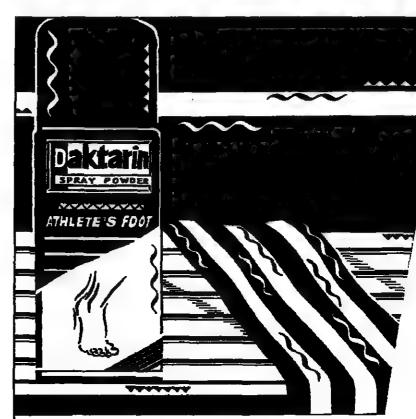
too, applied to the Frenchman

LIVERPOOL (3-4-1-2); D James — Wright, J Scales, P Babb — J McAree Redinapp, J Barnes, R Jones (sub-thomes, Safmin) — S McMarannan — Colymore (sub-1 Rush, 74), R Fowler.

MANCHESTER UNITED (4-4-1-1);
Schmeichel — D Irwn, D May, G Palliste Neville — D Becighem (sub- G Neville, 89

Cole they can do without. Three times in the opening 15 minutes on Saturday, he failed either to give a lead or take one as United threatened the Liverpool goal. To win the championship with one so duff as Cole in their side is not the least of United's feats.

It was Cantona's day, and Ferguson's, for a job magnificently accomplished. There was one Liverpool man who conducted himself with dignity. Roy Evans has done a thorough job in overhauling a great club, and, though this was not his hour of glory, he may well live to enjoy it if he amends his team. To reform those ghastly supporters, on the other hand, would challenge a choir of angels.



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Smith allows sorry Sussex no respite



Ostler: joined mayhem

BRISTOL (second day of three): Gloucestershire, with

six first-innings wickets in

hand, are 155 runs behind the

LOOKING for young Turks, to bolster England's fortunes

in the Texaco Trophy against India this year and beyond,

has become the name of the

game. Alistair Brown and

Adam Hollioake, of Surrey have been mentioned, Mark

Ealham, of Kent, has his

supporters. Entering the lists

yesterday, although for various reasons as something of a long shot, came Andrew Sy-

He came in during a delay

while a broken stump was replaced with Gloucestershire

on 38 for threee, facing an

Indian total of 406 and

Srinath in full flight against

the county that he served so

Srinath had plucked out

Dawson, Lynch and Hancock

during a spell of three wickets

for nine runs in ten balls.

Symonds's immediate re-

sponse was to open his ac-

count with a square cut for

four and a push through mid-

wicket for a couple; from that point, it was plain sailing.

who was making his first-class

debut, did his stuff at the other

end in making his way to a

promising half-century from

160 bails, but all eyes were on

Symonds as he went past fifty

from 56 balls with ten fours,

scored the bulk of the 140

added with Hewson in 29

overs and reached his century

This included 16 fours hit to

all parts of the ground and a

vast six over square leg off

Joshi, who suffered a similar

fate as Symonds moved on to

produced was a feast of con-

The innings that Symonds

from 111 balls.

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Young Dominic Hewson.

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Indians feel

backlash

as Symonds

puts case

By JACK BAILEY

CHICKET CORRESPONDENT

HOVE (Sussex won toss): Warwickshire beat Sussex by eight

THE result will surprise nobody, for these teams look leagues apart and, if English cricket was competitively re-structured, doubtless would be. Yet there were moments yesterday when the victory that Sussex need so urgently to restore a measure of pride seemed attainable - positions, indeed, from which a team with any self-confidence

would probably have won. Sussex should have scored 270 and settled for 241. Then they took the first two Warwickshire wickets for 31 and came close to several more, but, for each surge of adrena-

ward point, when he had

made 101, was as close as he

came to dismissal. It was

enough to make a chairman of the England selection commit-

tee at least scratch his head.

Raymond Illingworth and company will still harbour

doubts about selecting Symonds, after his unavailabili-

ty last winter, no matter how

many innings like this he

land to pick any player who will deliver the goods", he

said. "When he toured with

the Australian Under-19 team,

Symonds hammered us. We would welcome his entry into

international cricket this

The Indians made no con-

cessions yesterday. They bat-

ted on for a further three

hours, lost six wickets while

adding 123 and, barring the unexpected, killed the game

There were beneficiaries

even from this gambit. One

was Raul Dravid, one of the

reserve wicketkeepers, who

an undefeated 86. He hit nine

crisp fours while the Indian tail, Srinath apart, dissolved

There was also Mark

Alleyne, Gloucestershire's act-

ing captain, who deployed his

resources well. He also came

within an ace of producing

career-best bowling figures, finishing with five for \$1.

Had it not been for Srinath's

determination to remind his

old colleagues of his all-round

abilities, he might well have

done so. His partnership with

Dravid was the only worth-

while one for the Indians

yesterday, realising 70 runs

from 17 overs. These are early

Sandeep Patil, the Indian manager, has no such misgivings. We are happy for Eng-

produces.

summer."

stone dead.

so that the eventual outcome seemed predetermined even before Neil Smith put it beyond doubt with his maiden Sunday league century and an unbroken stand with Dominic Ostler of 214, a county record.

Warwickshire, like Sussex. lost their first three matches in this competition last season. Unlike Sussex, they rallied to such effect that they lost the title to Kent only on run-rate. Believing, as they do, that all things are theirs for the taking, they will probably put that straight this year, though they must be prepared to lose Smith to the England team for the Texaco Trophy series in a fortnight's time.

Smith's World Cup role was not clearly defined. Was he the pinch-hitter who could also bowl mean off spin? Or the of runs in the lower order? It was never resolved, but he is certain to feature in the selectorial discussion of potential openers next weekend, having followed a dashing 80 in the Benson and Hedges Cup with 111 not out from 87

balls yesterday. Surprisingly, for one of his reputation. Smith had made only four while Vasbert Drakes, bowling with more venom than he mustered in the championship fixture, dismissed Knight and Paul Smith. He built his innings with care, and only in its latter stages, with Sussex flagging and Ostler a willing partner in mayhem, did he cut loose. seeing his side to victory with an insulting 5.5 overs to spare. This outcome was greatly

appreciated by Warwick-

shire's travelling supporters, some of whom — those with beerguts and tattoos stacked inside their Brew XI replica shirts who were bellowing inane football chants - do their best to drag the tone of Sunday cricket even further below its deliberately downmarket image.

Coloured clothes may be a valid trademark of this, an identification of a different game, but certainly it fails to identify the teams. Warwickshire play in a curious mix of Oxford and Cambridge blues, gold and white that one would have thought it impossible to copy. Yesterday, Sussex played in identical colours; only the design was subtly

As with all one-day diversions, however, Sundays have their specialists. One such is

Sussex's leading runmaker in the league last year and their top scorer again yesterday. He made his 72 assiduously, but it was utterly upstaged by Martin Speight, a player who can astonish, delight and infuriate in the time that it takes most ordinary batsmen to play themselves in.

Speight reverse-swept four consecutive balls from Neil Smith, all of them sweet and solid from the middle of the bat, before pull-driving sixes off good length balls from Welch and Paul Smith. He made his 39 from 24 balls and almost knocked Neil Smith over as he took the catch that dismissed him. Sussex were 124 for one in the 21st over when he was out, leaving everyone but Warwickshire begging for more.

Symonds pierces the leg-side field on his way to a century from 111 balls against the touring team at Bristol

Brown muscles into one-day frame

BY PAT GIBSON

The Oval (Surrey won toss): Surrey (4pts) beat Kent by

ALISTAIR BROWN did not just batter on the door of the England selectors demanding inclusion in their squad for the forthcoming one-day internationals against India. He hammered out his message on the roof of the Oval pavilion.

Foster's, the Surrey sponsor. has offered £50,000 to any batsman who can clear the building and Brown was within feet of claiming it when he drove the Kent bowler Julian Thompson straight back over his head and almost demolished the television commentary box. It is a shame that Raymond Illingworth was not

The recurring criticism of Brown during his four sea-

sons at Surrey is that he does not know how to "stop" the ball but that hardly seems to matter, in the one-day game at any rate, when he can dispatch it whence it came with such an array of shots. He is the most exciting stroke-maker in the land and if England are looking for someone to

Lanka in the World Cup, he is the obvious choice. Even Javasuriva would have been pushed to match him yesterday in this AXA Equity & Law League match. Having "stopped" his first ball from Thompson as if to prove that he could do it, he sent his second soaring like an arrow over extra cover for six. His next ball went over long-on and with a third six, pulled over mid-wicket off Wren, that towering blow off Thompson and three cracking fours, he

was past 50 from only 25 halls.

play as Jayasuriya did for Sri

There were four more boundaries before his departure, kill as Surrey alllowed their bowled by Ealham as he went

Brown had struck 84 from 50 balls in an opening stand of 127 in 18 overs with Ward who had been quite content to admire his partner's handiwork from the other end, but now proceeded to wreak some havoc of his own.

They like to call themselves "the Croydon butchers" and once Brown had brought the Kent bowlers to their knees, Ward was more than happy to carve them up with some lusty hitting of his own. He had already taken a slice of the action by driving Hooper over four more sixes to go with his seven fours as he accelerated to 112 off 136 balls, spurred on by the sound of more than £1,000 dropping into the col-

The rest smacked of overtwo Test betsmen, Stewart and Thorpe, to put their feet up while three more hitters. Adam Hollinake, Lewis and Julian, took them to a total of 307 for five, the most runs Kent have conceded in 28

years of Sunday League The champions were beaten and they knew it. They had contributed to their own downfall by dropping three catches and once they had lost their own pinch-hitter, Fleraing, in the first over, only Hooper offered token resistance before they subsided to

Surrey had made history by including two sets of brothers. the Hollioakes, Adam and Ben, and the Bicknells. Darren and Martin, in their side, but it was Brown who

Law cast in Essex's finest mould

BY IVO TENNANT

ESSEX do not make too many errors when it comes to choosing their overseas player. Think of Keith Boyce, Lee Irvine, Ken McEwan, Allan Border, Mark Waugh. Even Huge Page, the least successful, did not want for talent. Now, it would seem they have chosen wisely again. Stuart Law, the captain of Queensland, made his first century in the AXA Equity & Law League in a ten-wicket victory Hampshire at

Law, who was signed as a replacement for his compatriot, Waugh, reached a century off 90 balls and won the match with a six. There was another in his innings, as well as 12 fours. Robinson helped to bring about victory with more than seven overs to

For Stephenson, the new Hampshire captain, this was an entirely forgettable day. He carried his bat through his side's innings, hitting a six and 11 fours in an innings of 110 against his former county. Alas for him, it was never likely to be sufficient, for a total of 187 for five was too meagre for a side as well schooled in this form of the game as Essex.

Few batsmen excel at the 40-overs game to the same extent as Fairbrother. He may not care for his reputation as a one-day specialist, but he is stuck with it. He was improvising as well as ever yester-day, his innings of 93 almost enabling Lancashire to beat Leicestershire. They were just Lejcestershire had made 252 for seven, of which, Simmons, back with the county whom he cajoled so effectively when

county championship two seasons ago, contributed 91. The importance to Northamptonshire of a fit and keen Ambrose is clearly inestimable. Now 32, he will do well still to be enthused about the county circuit (that descrip-

Simmons enthusiastic

tion David Lloyd, England's new coach, so dislikes) come September. Yet he remains a fine fast bowler. He conceded, in an opening spell of six overs at the County Ground, three runs, and took three wickets. One of his victims, Morris, reckoned that this was the finest opening spell he had faced in one-day

cricket. rgan did make some runs of note later in their innings. Croft struck 68 and Gibson an unbeaten 47 from 32 balls, including four sixes, one of which, off Emburey. cleared the indoor cricket school. The West Indian allrounder put on 52 with Thomas in the last four overs of the innings. Yet their slow start greatly inconvenienced them. Northamptonshire, for whom Love contributed a half-century, adding 70 in ten overs with Capel, won by four wickets.

Umpres A Clarkson and J H Harrs Northamptonshire v Glamorgan NORTHAMPTON (Northemptonshire won toss) Northemptonshire (4pts) beat Glamorgan by four wickets GLAMORGAN

m A Roseberry lbw b Car P Bainbridge c Ramprakash b Weekse

Total (38.) overs) ...

S P James c Ripley b Ambrose
H Monts b Capel
H Monts b Capel
A Cotey C Ripley b Ambrose
P A Cotey C Ripley b Ambrose
D Bé c Ambrose b Curran Total (6 wkts, 40 overs) ... tC P Metson, S L Watkin and S R Sarwick did not bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-13, 3-17, 4-34, 5-72, 8-147

8CWLING: Ambrose 8-3-14-3, Mal-lender 8-1-29-0; Capel 8-1-29-1; Emburey 8-1-44-0; Curran 5-0-41-1, Penberthy 3-0-32-0

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE R R Montgormerie c Metson b Barwick 32 A Fordham c Morris b Gibson 13

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Total (6 wkts, 39.4 overs) ...

J E Emburey C E L Ambrose and N A Mallender did not bal

FALL OF WICKETS, 1-26, 2-46, 3-56, 4-79, 5-149, 6-192

80WLING: Gibson 7 4-1-26-1; Wattim 8-1-36-0; Barwick 8-0-34-4; Croft 8-1-43-0; Dale 6-0-34-1, Thomas 2-0-17-0.

Umpires: G ! Burgess and M J Kachen

Somerset v

Nottinghamshire TAUNTON (Nottinghamshre won toss): Nottinghamshre (4pts) beat Somerset by six wickets

SOMERSET

M N Lathwell c Metcatte b Tolley ... 26

P D Bowler c Pick b Bales 24

S C Ecclestone c Pollard b Tolley . 18

A R Caddick and H R J Trump did not

BOWLING Pennett 8-0-44-0; Pick 8-0-39-2, Totaly 8-0-50-2; Calms 8-1-42-2; Bates 6-0-43-1; Archer 2-0-12-0.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE P R Pollard low b Trump

C M Toley, 1W M Noon, R T Bates, R A Pick and D B Pennett did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-54, 2-85, 3-151, 4-

BOWLING: Caddick 5.3-0-35-0, Rose 5-1-58-0; Ecclestone 8-1-49-1; Lee 6-0-44-0; Trump 8-0-44-3

Umpires: B Leedbeater and R Pelmer. Surrey v Kent THE OVAL (Surrey won loss) Surrey (4pts) beat kent by 150 runs

SURREY

*†A J Stewart, G P Thorpe, M P Bicknell and R M Pearson did not bet.

FALL OF WICKETS, 1-127, 2-198, 3-251, 4-296, 5-305.

BOWLING: Wren 6-0-48-0, Thompson 3-0-30-0, Hooper 8-0-50-0; McCagus 8-0-43-0, Esham 7-0-63-1; Fleming 7-0-46-3, Uong 1-0-18-0.

T R Ward c Stewart b M P Bickmall 24 M V Fleming c Julian b M P Bickmall 4 C L Hooper c Stewart b Julian 43 G R Cowdrey c Brown b Julian 10 M A Ealtram c Thorpe b A J Holioake 10

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-49, 3-69, 4-91, 5-111, 6-111, 7-120, 8-132, 9-150

BOWLING. M P Bicknell 6-0-39-2; Lewis 4-0-24-0; Julian 6-0-38-3, A J Hofficalde 7.5-0-34-4; B C Hollicalde 3-0-20-0.

Sussex v Warwickshire

SUSSEX

N C Phillips, P W Jarvis and E S H Glodine did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS, 1-67, 2-124, 3-192, 4-193, 5-221, 6-232.

BOWLING: Reeve 8-0-35-0; Brown 5-0-25-0; Poliock 8-0-50-1, N M K Smith 8-0-41-1; P A Smith 4-0-27-0, Weich 8-0-44-1; Glies 1-0-11-0.

WARWICKSHIRE

T L Permey, "D A Peeve, S M Politock, D R Brown, †K J Piper, A F Glies and G Welch did not bet.

BOWLING. Drakes 8-0-41-2: Jaryls 6-0-30-0; Law 4.1-0-41-0; Glddins 8-0-43-0; Newell 2-0-23-0; Phillips 6-0-51-0.

Umpires: J W Holder and V A Holder.

Yorkshire v Derbyshire

SHEFFIELD (Derbyshire won tose); Yorkshire (4pts) beat Derbyshire by 45

YORKSHIRE

N V Knight a Wells b Drakes N M K Smith not out

Total (2 wkts, 34.1 overs)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-31

Jimpires, K.J.Lyons and B.J.Mayer

A J Weller run out. M J Welker run out N J Llong c Stewert b Julian "†S A Marsh flow b A J Holfics

Extres (bb 2, w 8, rib 6) ...

Total (25.5 overs)

Greenfield run out .

K Newell not out ... V C Drakes not out

Extres (b 1, lb 7, w 7, nb 6)

Total (5 wkts, 40 overs)

A D Brown b Eatharn

A J Hollicake c Llong b Fleming
C C Lewis c Warker b Fleming
B P Julian not out
B C Hollicake low b Fleming
D J Bicknell not out
Extras (b 8, lb 10, w 5, nb 2)

Total (5 wids, 40 overs) ...

N I HOOMSON DECLASSIONS ...
G F Archer c Holloway b Trump ...
P Johnson c Caddick b Trump ...
A A Metcalle not out ...
C L Cairns not out ...
Extras (lb 4, w 7, nb 2)

Total (4 wkts, 36.3 overs)

Ġ D Rose b Cams M E Trescothick run out

Total (8 wkts, 40 overs)

Tetley Challenge series

*R J Bailey b Barwick 8
K M Curran c Metson b Barwick 4
M B Loye c Cottey b Barwick 56
D J Capel low b Dale 33
A L Penberthy not out 30
10 Ripley not out 0
Extras (tb 10, w 6, nb 5) 220 Gloncestershire v Indians SRISTOL issecond day of three Gloucestershire with so, first-innings wickets in hand, are 155 runs behind the Indians

INDIANS: First Innings INDIANS: First Intrings
V Rainosa c Hewson b Alleyne
N S Sidhu b Alleyne
S V Manjrekar c and b Alleyne
H Drawd not out
M Azhanddan ibw b Dawson
S Ganguly c Lynch b Lewis
S Joshr c Daws b Alleyne
A kumble ibw b Alleyne
J Smash c Symonds b Davis
Ventatesh Prasad c Alleyne b Davis
Ventatesh Prasad c Alleyne b Davis
Ventatash (b 2. ib 12, w 8)

FALL OF WICKETS 1-93, 2-230, 3-255, 4-278, 5-290, 6-328, 7-338, 8-398, 9-405

BOWLING, Levis 34-8-86-1, Sheeraz 32-5-101-0, Boden 6-0-19-0, Alleyne 29.1-5-81-5; Davis 26-2-88-2, Hancock 5-0-14-0 Dawson 2-0-3-1 GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First francys

TH C Hancock b Srinath Total (4 wices) †R C J Williams, R P Davis, J Lewis, D J P Boden and K P Sheeraz to bat

FALL OF WICKETS, 1-28, 2-34, 3-38, 4-BOWLING, Srinath 16-5-58-3: Venkalesh Prasad 14-2-40-0, Ventakapathy Raju 6-1-35-0; kumble 18-2-59-1, Josh 8-2-47-0

Umpires: R. Julian and A.G.T. Whitehead AXA Equity & Law League

Hampshire v Essex

HAMPSHIRE "J P Stephenson not out ... "J P Stephenson not out
J S Laney c Law b Cowan
R A Smith c Rollins b Cowan
R A Smith c Rollins b Cowan
R R Whitaker c Grayson b Irani
G W White c Grayson b lot
W K M Benjamin not out
Extras (b 9, w 6) Total (5 wkts, 40 overs) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-52, 2-54, 3-80, 4-134, 5-163 SOWLING: flott 6-0-34-1; Cowan 8-3-17-2; Law 6-0-20-0; Such 8-0-46-0; Irani 8-0-32-2; Grayson 4-0-29-0.

D D J Robinson not out ... Total (no wid, 32.2 overs) J J B Lawis. "N Hussain, G A Gooch, R C Iram, A P Grayson, †R J Roffins, M C Ilost, P M Such and A P Cowen did not

80WLING: Benjamin 6-0-20-0, Connor 8-1-40-0; Thursfield 5-0-51-0; Stephen-son 3-0-23-0; Udal 8-0-34-0; Whiteker E3-0-19-0

Lancashire v Leicestershire OLD TRAFFORD (Lancashire won loss): Leicestershire (4pts) beat Lancashire by

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J M Dalen c Feirbrother b Martin
"J J Whitaker b Watkinson
1P A Noon not out
D L Meddy st Hegg b Gallian
C C Remy c Bworthy b Gallian

Total (7 wids, 40 overs) A R K Plerson and A D Mullally did not

UNICASHIRE JER Garlan c Remy b Mulaity23 M A Atherion c Whitaker b Paraone 14 N H Fairbrother c Neton b Mulletty ... 93.

R H Fairbrother c Neton b Mulletty ... 93.

G D Lloyd c and b Simmons ... 51.

1M Waterison c Dakin b Plerson ... 11.

1W K Hegg not out 47.

1D Austin run out 33. Extras (b 6, fb 5, er 1, rfb 4)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-36, 2-40, 3-42, 4-149, 5-160, 6-230.

BOWLING: Mulially 8-1-27-2, Parsons 8-0-33-2; Remy 5-0-31-0, Walls 3-0-31-0; Pleason 7-0-84-1; Simmons 8-0-40-1; Maddy 1-0-14-0. Umpires: H D Bird and R A White.

Middlesex v Durham LORD'S (Middlesex won loss): Middle-aex (4pls) beat Durham by 17 rune WIDDLESEX

P N Weekas low b Collingwood
M R Remprakash low b Brown
M W Getting b Killean
J D Carr st Scott b Bainbridge
J C Pooley c Collingwood b Brown
th R Brown not out Total (5 wkts, 40 overs) ...

K P Dutch, A R C Fraser, R A Fay and D Follett did not bat FALL OF WICKETS. 1-6, 2-80, 3-113, 4-129, 5-182.

BOWLING. Betts 5-0-32-0; Brown 8-0-35-2; Foster 6-0-27-0, Killean 8-0-37-1; Collingwood 8-0-37-1; Bainbridge 5-0-DURHAM

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D Gough c DeFreitas b Cork
A C Morris run out
C E W Silverwood not out L Campbell st Brown b Weekes Extras (lb 4, w 4, nb 8) 18 M J Foster c Pooley b Fraser
S Hutton c Gaiting b Carr
J E Morris c Carr b Follett
M A Roseberry low b Carr Total (9 wkts, 40 overs) R D Stemp did not bat FALL OF WICKETS: 1-58, 2-68, 3-87, 4-87, 5-171, 6-173, 7-202, 8-207, 9-210. BOWLING Cork 8-0-41-3; DeFreitas 6-0-46-0; Griffith 8-0-30-1, Henris 6-1-23-1-Wells 6-0-26-1; Jones 1-0-5-0; Aldred 5-0-35-1 DERBYSHIRE FALL OF WICKETS. 1-12, 2-28, 3-44, 4-67, 5-77, 6-99, 7-116, 8-159, 9-165.

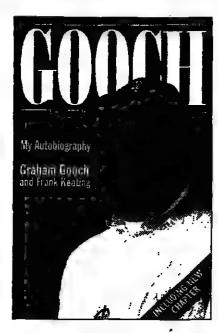
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K M Krikken Ibw b Gough
D G Cork run out BOWLING: Fay 8-1-34-0, Fraser 8-1-38-1; Follett 8-0-48-1; Carr 5-0-25-2, Weekes 8-0-29-3, Dutch 2.1-0-10-3. G Cork run out Alched not out as (b 1, lb 8, w 2, nb 2) Total (37.3 overs)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-80, 2-81, 3-82, 4-103, 5-138, 6-139, 7-148, 8-149, 9-162 BOWLING. Hartley 7-0-30-0; Gough 8-0-38-2 Silverwood 8-0-26-1; White 6.3-0-30-2, Stemp 8-0-32-3 Umpires J H Hampshire and N T Plews.



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has noticed a change in Bailey

"Rob is very positive in wanting to attack and has

shown more of a willingness

as a batsman to take on the

opposition from the word go,"

Emburey said, "Without a doubt, we will win something

Bailey understandably

looks to Emburey for guid-

ance, but is also prepared to

listen to the younger players

as well. "When I came onto the

staff, Jim Watts was captain

and I picked up bits and pieces

from him, then Geoff Cook

and Lamby, so I feel I have learnt from them all." he said.

"I don't feel the need to keep

my distance, to put myself on a

different social pedestal to

Emburey's presence has

given him succour in another

sense. Bailey's Test career was regarded as having ended

after gaining the last of his

four caps in the Caribbean six

years ago. He feels that it is

this season."

ighest level, but his main

Calculating high cost of providing overseas aid

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

has never been judged fairly on runs and wickets alone, but, in these parlous times for English cricket, their contribution to the domestic game requires clearer analysis. There is a growing case for concluding that their presence is counter-productive

Supporters of the import base their case on his glamour, which, theoretically, attracts spectator interest, and his ability, which is supposed to inspire young Englishmen. A trawl through the present intake of 18, however, indicates not only a shortage of glamour but also, in too many instances, a suspicion that the player has far more to gain from the deal than his adopted club or his English colleagues.

Precious few imports playing in the county championship this season will add significantly to gate figures. Dean Jones, who made a



Pollock: ideal signing

double-century on Saturday, may bring in a few to watch Derbyshire, and Warwickshire secured the coup of the year when signing Shaun Pollock, the model overseas player in every way.

The longevity of Courtney Walsh with Gloucestershire guarantees his welcome and, doubtless, Curtly Ambrose and Carl Hooper will win games for Northamptonshire and Kent, respectively. These are luminaries with vast Test experience and wisdom aplenty to impart to the dressing-

Where the system fails is in its perception of being compulsory. Counties not only feel obliged to engage an overseas player even if there is nobody appropriate available, but also they invariably pick him. The first compulsion is a drain on financial resources and the second is regularly a disincentive to aspiring Englishmen.

An alarming number of

dubious overseas signings have been made, but the collection this season is the least impressive in recent memory. A key area for concern is where a fringe foreign Test player, such as Brendon Julian, of Surrey, and Shane Lee of Somerset, hone their credentials here, primarily for personal gain. It is not the fault of these cricketers; the system encourages it.

Much more damaging to England's cause, however, is the omission of a promising parable overseas player. This has been evident this season at Lancashire and Sussex, and there is potential for the same to occur at Glamorgan.

Glen Chapple and Jason Lewry played in the the puta-tive Test trial at Chelmsford last month, but now are being kept out of their county sides by Steve Elworthy and Vasbert Drakes, second-division cricketers from South Africa and West Indies. If and when Ottis Gibson regains fitness for Glamorgan, the same fate could befall Darren Thomas, an all-rounder of exciting potential.

At a time when every encouragement must be given to home grown cricketers if England are to become competitive, this is nonsensical. The one-year moratorium on overseas players, in 1999, confirms the concern of some counties, but too many others are working on precedent, not

Sussex probably wish that they had engaged Desmond Haynes, their coach, as a player instead of Drakes, for they need a batsman urgently. They lost another 11 wickets at Hove on Saturday and are still 236 short of avoiding an innings defeat by Warwickshire. Drakes is at the crease, with a point to prove.

Somerset, inspired by wickets from the engaging Graham Rose, overwhelmed Nottinghamshire by lunch on the third day, but there are sterner contests continuing elsewhere, including the prospect of Essex coming from behind for a second win in two games, against Hampshire at Southampton.

Middlesex have left Durham a formidable 374 to pursue at Lord's and, at the Ovai. Surrey are well placed to beat Kent. At Northampton, there is a decent finish in prospect against Glamorgan in a match that may be something of a trendsetter.

There are no overseas players.

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Hooper pursues testing target

about Carl Hooper and they will say the same thing — "Ah yes, Hooper. What a lovely player. Makes batting look so effortless."

"Effortless" is a key word in the Hooper lexicon: so, strangely, is "effort". Because, though his talents enable him to make the game look simple. he desperately struggles to do justice to them when playing Test cricket. He is the Caribbean's own Graeme Hick: indeed, in terms of figures. Hooper makes Hick's litany of under-achievements read like Alexander's progress

through Persia. Hooper, who is in his fourth season with Kent, has something else in common with Hick: he reached adulthood without discovering that cricket could be a difficult game. He came to it easily in his native Guyana. He was a natural; the embodiment of grace and effortlessness.

He came to Test cricket young — although not, he insists, too young. He first played for West Indies in 1987. with only a smattering of firstclass appearances behind him, and scored a century in Simon Wilde on the West Indies batsman aiming to prove his international pedigree

his second match, 12 days after his 21st birthday. Lovely player, young Hooper.

He had no obvious technical flaws, but, in adulthood. he was to learn how hard the game could be. He started making low scores and finding out about failure. He also found out that, as an international player, "people are always writing things about you in the papers".

Doubts were then raised about his desire to compete at the top level, and they are not yet dispelled. When West Indies lost their first Test series in 15 years to Australia last year, Hooper's brittleness under pressure attracted a lot of criticism. His 52 Test appearances and five centuries are no compensation for the

arrows of disdain. "I am 29 and at the halfway point of my career," he said. Anything I have missed in the past I must try to make un for, I know my Test average [31.85] is lower than it should be. I believe I can drag it up to the mid-forties, but it will take

me the rest of my career." He sounded ready for the haul. Hooper's attempt to set his international career to rights led him to take up county cricket in 1992. "I was having problems concentrating in Test cricket." he said. "County cricket helps

you to keep going because of the regularity of it. It makes you more professional. e made mountains of runs for Kent and his . A. Test record slightly improved, but his heavy

schedule plus the debilitating after effects of malaria often left him feeling burnt out. Earlier this year, Hooper withdrew from the World Cup and a home series against New Zealand, citing ill-health and personal problems that have since been resolved. His explanation was fair, but treated with scepticism by the West Indies cricket board, which has never been guilty of

wrapping its players in cotton

wool, and sections of the

Caribbean press, whose be-

5-107, 0-161 BOWLING: Pollock 19-3-45-1, Rame 4-2-8-0; 8-0: Brown 17-5-46-2; Welch 6-2-23-0; Giles 29-13-49-3; Smith 6-1-11-0

Bonus points: Sussex 2 Worwickshire B.

Yorkshire v Derbyshire

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C J Adems a Besen b Gough ...
D M Jones not out ...
JE Owen b White ...
C M Webs not out
Extras (tb 5, nb 6)

Total (4 wkts, 94.5 overs)

†K. M. fyrikken, D. G. Cork, M. J. Vandrau, P. Aldred and D.E. Malcolm to bet

FALL OF WICKETS 1-25, 2-38, 3-108,

Jane.

BOWLING: Gough 22-2-79-1; Hartley 17-3-78-0; Siverwood 25-5-97-2; Stemp 15-3-50-0; White 10.5-2-49-1; Vaughan 5-1-28-0.

Borus points: Yorkshire 5 Derbyshire 7.

University match (one day)

Oxford v Cambridge

THE PARKS (Cambridge University won loss) Cambridge University bent Oxford University by 103 nats CAMBRIDGE

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FALL OF WICKETS 1-33, 2-170, 3-220, 4-25, 5-261, 5-251.

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BOMUNG: Du Preuz 7-0-39-1; Thor 9-1-52-0; Wagh 10-0-55-0; Mather 36-0; Fichey 10-68-4; Malik 9-0-60-1

A T Regressift c Baby b Refley E T Smith c Berry b Du Presz . A Singh c Mather b Matik . . . "R O Caise at Batry b Rudley

Edres (b 1, lb 10, w 12)

Total (6 wikts, 50 overs)

Umpires: J W Holder and V A Holder

DRC Law c Khan b Brown .

The break appears to have renewed his appetite for the

game. Moreover, his relationship with the West Indies board is repaired after a recent trip to Guyana, where he met Clive Lloyd, the new coach, who is working to reunify a fragmented team. Since then, Hooper has set

himself a target for the first time to score 2,000 runs in the championship this season. "I have to prove my desire to compete at the highest level," he said. In November, West Indies tour Australia and Hooper wants to be there.

Hooper would like 2,000 runs for another reason. Last year he toured England with West Indies and his place at Kent was filled by Aravinda de Silva. De Silva scored 1,661 championship runs, more than Hooper ever has. Lovely piayer, de Silva, everyone said, and a lovely man, outgoing and sunny. Hooper can only be termed an introvert. So Hooper has some ghosts

to lay. If things go well, he will probably devote himself to his international career after 1997. Whatever happens, he will always be a lovely player.

Bailey aiming to put stamp on title deeds

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Ivo Tennant profiles a captain with a desire to eclipse his county's greats

ROB BAILEY is not a man given to vaulting ambition or greed. He lives a sparse, selfeffacing life of quiet attainment that has won him more riends than England caps. When, at the start of the season, the Northampton-Evening Telegraph asked him to name his rate for writing a regular column, he declined any payment, telling them that he considered the task an honour. How many other county captains would

nave done the same? Here, then, is the kind of professional who gives county cricketers a good name. Bailey was appalled to read last week of the girl who, having ditched her boyfriend, wanted him back now that he has won the National Lottery. The standards of a captain are reflected in his team, which should mean that umpires will have ew problems with Northamptonshire this summer.

Like many cricketers, though, Bailey has had one particular ambition, although it is not easy to understand his desire. Think of these leaders: "Tubby" Vials, Freddie Brown, Dennis Brookes, Raman Subba Row, Keith Andrew, Roger Prideaux, Mushtaq Mohammad, Geoff Cook, Alian Lamb. Ali Test cricketers or decent captains, or both - and all destined to ultimate failure. Northamptonshire have yet to win the county championship. Had there not been a ten-

dency at the club to genufiect to Lamb, Bailey would probably have been appointed captain a while ago. As it was, the longer he was made to wait, the more the chance increased of a younger man, such as Alan Fordham or David Capel, coming into the reckoning, Roy Wills, Bailey's fatherin-law, chairs the cricket committee, which could have been an embarrassment to both had they not respected each other's sensibilities; he vacated his seat willingly at the relevant selection meeting.

Bailey, who is 32 and had been vice-captain for five years, learnt of Lamb's retirement on Northamptonshire's pre-season tour of South Africa. It did not make for the ideal start, but then there has been many a captain before him who has had difficulties incorporating his predecessor in his team. There will be more opportunities now for Mal Loye, Russell Warren and the three promising Young England batsmen, David Sales, Alec Swann and David

Roberts. Also, there is a fresh start in every sense at the County Ground with the arrival of



not necessarily over. He did not enjoy the best of luck --"Bailey was given out in controversial circumstances by umpire Barker after a charging, finger-flapping appeal by Viv Richards which was at best undignified and unsightly" - so wrote Wisden in magisterial and appropriate language. In the dressing-room, Bailey

kicked a fridge so hard that he broke a toe. "That's cricket, that's life," he said, but such decisions can determine the length of an international career. "I haven't given up hope of playing for England again. Score a double century and the selectors will take

would like another opportunity to make such form tell at the thoughts now are not of himself, but how to win that elusive championship.

Cake makes most of his slice of luck

By JACK BAILEY

THE PARKS (Cambridge University won the toss): Cam-bridge University beat Oxford University by 103 runs

RUSSELL CAKE, the Cambridge University captain, has a lot going for him; not least is that priceless asset that Napoleon always required of his generals - a certain amount of luck. The good fortune, that has brought him 12 successes from 13 flips of the coin this season, was just what Cambridge needed to dominate

this match. Of course, they had to take advantage of an excellent batting pitch, but they did this to great effect, mainly by means of a sturdy knock by Reimell Ragnauth, a scintillating cen- tury from Amarug Singh and a tour de force by Cake himself. Faced with the daunting task of scoring 332 to win from 50 overs. Oxford were game but out-gunned.

Chinmay Gupte led from the front with 47, but he needed lain Sutcliffe, or one of his middle-order stroker-makers, to cut loose. Here again, Cake was the master, switching his bowlers, placing his field cleverly; and Cambridge bowled and fielded with verve,

Neither Ridley, Khan or Wagh could shrug off the shackles imposed by Moffat and Jones and, although Jarrett struck some firm blows towards the end, Oxford found nobody to match Singh's superb 108 from 86 balls.

Three-day games are different and no prophecies should be made for the University match at Lord's in July, but, on this evidence, it could produce a good many runs.

Britannic Assurance

county championship Somersel v Nottinghamshire

TAUNTON (the J day of four) Somersel (23pts) beel Nottingnershire (5) by lar NOTTINGHAMSHERE: First Innings 200 (G F Archer 83: G D Rose 6 for 41)

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M R A Pick b Rose
D B Permett c Lee b Rose
J A Albrid not out ras (1b 10, w 1, rtb 4)

Total 238
FALL OF WICKETS 1-75, 2-93, 3-93, 4-124, 5-153, 6-195, 7-202, 8-224 9-239 BOWLING, Caddick 21-8-79-1, Store 11-2-53-1; Rose 20 2-8-47-7, Lee 10-2-30-1; Belty 11-3-28-0 SOMERSET: First linnings 309 (Si Lee 82, Cit Holloway 50: D 8 Perinati 4 for 116)

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Umpires: B Leadbester and R Palmer. Hampshire v Essex SOUTHAMPTON (third day of four) Hamp-shire, with three second-innings wickels in hand, are 242 runs shead of Essen HAMPSHIRE: First Immgs 539 (W K M Benjamin 117, A N Aymes 113, P R Whitaker 55, FI A Smath 50, J P Stephenson

TAN Aymes run out grown cand b Such S D Udat not out Extres (b 4, fb 2, nb 2) Total (7 wids) FALL OF WICKETS 1-82, 2-69, 3-86, 4-88,

BOWLING: Itoft 4-0-20-0, Williams 3-0-27-0; Such 20-7-27-5; Irani 3-1-12-0, Grayson 16-3-43-1 ESSEX: First Immigs G A Gooch b Benjamen
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N Hussam Rev b Corner A Such not out Total (116 overs)

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BCWLING Benjeren 33-9-96-4, Connor 23-9-73-1; Mabum 27-6-104-3, Siepherson 11-2-63-0, Udai 14-2-56-1. Whitaket 8-3-Bonus points, Hampehire 8 Esser 7 Umpres: A.A. Jones and D.R. Shepherd.

Lancashire v Leicestershire OLD TRAFFORD (thed day of four), Lecestershire, with three first-innings wick-ets in hand, are 187 runs behind LANCASHIRE: First Irrangs 485 (W F Hegg 134, M A Atherion 87, G D Lloyd 65, N J Speek 55: A R K Pierson 4 for 100) LEICESTERS-UPE: First Innings

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FALL OF WICKETS 1-12, 2-22, 3-64, 4-98, 5-98, 6-142, 7-185. BOWLING: Mertin 24-7-51-1; Austin 17-5-23-0: Watkinson 29-10-56-4, Elworthy 21-0-118-2; Needy 19-9-34-0, Gelfian 3-0-6-0. Bonus points: Lancashire 6 Loicestershire 5 Umpres H D Bird and R A White

Middlesex v Durham LORD'S (that day of lour). Durham need 374 tuns in their second amings to beat MEDDLESEX: First innings 191 (M.) Getting 74; M.J. Foster 4 for 21) Second Immigs.

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Bonus points: Micidlesex 4 Durham 5 Umpires: A Clarison and J H Hams Northamptonshire v Glamorgan

DURHAM: First (mangs 209 (C W Scott 59)

NORTHAMPTON (third day of four). North-amptionshire, with all second-innings wick-ers in hand, and 122 runs shear of Gernorgan NORTHAMPTONSHIPE: First Innings 451 for 6 dec (R J Warren 201 not qui, D J Capel 83. A Fordham 52. R R Morágomere 51) Second Innings R A Montgomene not out A Fordham not out Extres (162)

BOWLING Warker 5-2-8-0; Thomas 2-0-7-0; Croft 3-2-4-0; Kendrick 1-0-1-0

SATURDAY'S SCOREBOARDS GLANCINGAN: First Inning

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Impres: G / Burgess and M J Kitchen Surrey v Kent THE OWAL Bried day of four): Nent, with four second-trivings wickets in hand, are 105 runs ahead of Surrey ICENT: First Innings 225 (M A Baltism 51).
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Bonus points, Northemptonshire 7 Glamoican 6

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BOWLING: M.P. Bicknell 18-4-57-1; Lews. 11-1-41-2; Julien 13-4-9-1; Holliceke 4-0-16-0; Peerson 27-8-71-2 SURFREY: First Innings 360 (M A Builcher 94, B.P. Julian 74, C.C. Lewis 61; J.B.D. Thempson 5 for 72) moson 5 for 72) Bonus points: Surrey 8 Kent 5.

Sussex v Warwickshire HOVE (third day of lour), Sussex, with tour recond-immigs wickets in hand, need 296 runs to avoid an limings dielect against WARWICKSHIFIE: First limings 645 for 7 dec (D A Reeve 168 not out, T L Permey 134, N V Knight 132, D P Oster 90)

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H S Matik e Coke b Mottel 80MLING: Pollock 20.5:56-2; Reave 7-2 7-2; Smith 11:3-31-0; Watch 16:3-4-50-4; Gales 21-10-40-2; Brown 9-1-32-0. BOMUNG: Haste 5-0-29-1: Janisch 10-0-60-3: Virtuali 7.5-32-2, Moltai 10-0-46-2. Janes 10-0-45-2. Umpres: J.C.Balderstone and B.Dudleston.



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Rugby league's master craftsmen expose inferior standards of rival code

Ruthless Wigan storm union citadel

RUGHY CORRESPONDENT

THERE was a mischievous gleam in Maurice Lindsay's eve when he suggested that, as the holders of the Middlesex seven-a-side competition receive an automatic invitation, perhaps, next year, the organisers might like to find room for a second rugby league club when they stage the finals of rugby union's end-of-season try binge at Twickenham.

Shaun Edwards, who captained Wigan as they stormed rugby union's Bastille on Saturday, took up the theme. "Remember," he said, "we are not even the best club in the league. That must be St Helens." Whatever Wigan's standing in their code may be, it was far too much for several of union's classic names -Harlequins, Leicester and, in

the final, Wasps. All of which was to be expected. Wigan paid Middlesex the compliment of fielding their very best, which is far more than the leading rugby union clubs did. By doing so, they showed in all its naked truth the standards of fitness, pace and skill to which union's young gons must aspire — the exposure of such youngsters as Peter Scrivener, Andy Gomarsali and Nick Greenstock, of Wasps -- well-regarded in their own code - to those standards can only benefit

Lawrence Dallaglio, the only present England international on view, believes that a year of professional rugby union will create a difference when Wigan return to defend the Russell Cargill Trophy as Lindsay, the chief executive of the Rugby Football League, agreed they should. Dallaglio had reason to be proud of his team, who went into a 15-0 lead in the final before tumbling 38-15, but he may be

over-optimistic. "I think, a year into professionalism, there will be a much closer result if not a reversal of the result," he said. They struggled in a number of areas, they let go of the ball on the floor too early but, in

rable conclusion to the

domestic rugby union season

in Scotland, one of the assemb-

led army of Hawick support-

ers leant over the perimeter

fencing at Murrayfield, watched the jubilant players

file past and said to nobody in

particular: "That's what you

get when you play for your

had just beaten Watsonians

17-15 and, after a season of

upheaval with the game head-

ing into a supposedly brighter

new world, his team had

struck a blow for the old

virtues of tradition, team spirit

and loyalty. While others see

How right he was. Hawick

town. It's all about pride.



Edwards, centre, the Wigan captain, and Offiah hold aloft in triumph the Russell Cargill Trophy at Twickenham. Photograph: David Davies

space, and Wigan would have been embarrassed if they had

The truth of this last week, though, as Joe Lydon, the Wigan assistant coach, suggested, is that Wigan have achieved a public relations coup for their code. They have made all the right noises at a time when the Rugby Football Union is embattled on all fronts, and Lindsay could say, with some feeling: "Think of all the bitterness of 100 years which has been swept away in one, but it helps to have a

mature relationship. I am pleased for both our codes." In addition. Wigan have outclassed Bath, the best club side that the English rugby union game can offer albeit playing an unfamiliar game

t the end of the inaugu- mercial pressures may change

with inadequate preparation. and they have shown at Twickenham all the qualities search for bigger and bigger players, has been in danger of

There is no substitute for pace and possession, and Wigan had them in abundance. "We wanted to show our sport in a good light and we were at full bore all through," Edwards said. No man is prouder of his league roots. even if he did stray as a youngster to play centre for the England 16 Group schools union side. "We wanted to show we have some fantastic athletes playing league and we

believe we have shown that."

Farrell, the goal-kicking loose forward, should be printed on Scrivener's mind and the Twickenham crowd of some 55,000 did not even see the best of Henry Paul, the New Zealand stand-off half. He damaged ankle ligaments which

may keep him out of both of

Wigan's Super League games this week, with Halifax tomorrow and Workington at the weekend, though not the return fixture with Bath, under union laws, on May 25.

It took Martin Offiah, a semi-finalist in 1986 and a finalist in 1987 with Rosslyn Park. 64 seconds to remind

have been missing when he scorched over against Richmond in Wigan's opening match of the tournament. That was the first of 25 Wigan tries in four matches. Offiah collecting six despite a jarred knee that kept him out of the

Yet Wigan could afford to be, and were, generous about their opponents and the welcome that they received on and off the field. They enjoyed their reception, they enjoyed a crowd that erupted whenever a try was scored against them. and they appreciated the de-mands made on them by Wasps and, in particular, Harlequins, who went 12-0 up

with long-range tries before

Hawick looked awkward and

The rest, in comparison, was mediocre fare. Malaysia, who will introduce sevens to the Commonwealth Games in two years' time, received a warm welcome and Orrell fought hard for a place in the final against their near-neighbours before going down to a vell-knit Wasps team. Wellknit, that is, until Wigan unravelled them. Still. as

part of history. Trees: White, Gomanail, Sonvenia Wilden: Michael, Gilcomotil, Ji Robinson, Sidvards, Villingamail, A. Farrell, Sidvards, Villingamail, A. Farrell, Sidvards, Gomanail, Gomanail, Gomanail, Gallago, Michael Sonward, Thompson, A. Gomanail, Libatago, Michael Sonward, Thompson, A. Gomanail, Libatago, Michael Sonward, Thompson and Sonward, Thompson replaced by A. Jamas (8): Rosser replaced by L. Sonsterial.

Dallaglio said, they have been

by power problems By EDWARD GORMAN

Brewster's

solo bid

bedevilled

SAMANTHA BREWSTER, who is attempting to sail solo round the world, may have to sleep with her boat drifting hove-to at night and then spend all day hand-steering if she is to complete her circumnavigation without running out of fuel.

Brewster, who is expected to round the Cape of Good Hope today, has been trying to cope with a problem with the batteries on her 67ft cutter. Heath Insured, for much of the time since she restarted from the Brazilian port of

Santos on January 3. Ken Pearson, a member of her shore team based in Southampton, said yesterday that he believed that Brewster still had at least 70 days left at sea, but fuel enough to last her only around 55 days. However, he said that she was showing no signs of wanting to give up. "She's not in any mood to stop at all." he said, adding that she was sailing into 35-knot headwinds on a

reasonably manageable sea. Brewster's problems have been exacerbated by a new ruling by the World Sailing Speed Record Council that, in order to qualify for an official circumnavigation — she would be the first woman to sail non-stop and singlehandedly westabout - she must sail as far north almost

as Cape Finisterre before turning back towards Brazil. The battery problem, that started just after she rounded Cape Horn, has been traced to two of the six cells that are not charging properly. Brewster relies on battery power to run her self-steering system and navigation lights at night. In order to keep the remaining four cells charged, she has had to run the boat's generator for one hour in every five, which has rapidly eaten up her fuel

Brewster has been handsteering the yacht for between 12 and 14 hours each day for some weeks, but, with two trips across the Doldrums still to come and the remaining cells showing signs of deterioration, she may have to abandon the autopilot at night.

supplies.

The voyage, which was orginally aimed at breaking Mike Golding's record of 161 days, set in 1994, has turned After coming to terms with abandoning her first start, when involuntary gybes in mid-Atlantic caused problems that required repairs in Brazil, she has since struggled with damage to the sails and rig while sailing well

off the pace to match Golding. As she approached Australia, another involuntary gybe ripped the mainsail and damaged the mainsheet track. It took her more than 48 hours to change the huge sail, which weighs around a quarter of a ton, and she almost gave up at that point.

At present, she has no staysail because the sail itself is torn and the halvard is iammed. She also has no longrange radio or satellite telephone and is communicating

with Southampton by telex.

Crash robs McRae of chance to take overall title lead

By OUR SPORTS STAFF

COLIN McRAE, the world rally champion, crashed out of the rain-soaked Rally of Indonesia in spectacular style yesterday, rolling his Subaru several times in a high-speed accident. McRae and Derek Ringer, his co-driver, crawled from the wreck unhurt. The crash robbed McRae, who started the day in the lead, of seizing overall lead in the world title race.

Carlos Sainz, of Spain, was named provisional winner. pending a late hearing by officials after allegations that he had received outside servicing assistance, where only a tyre change was allowed

under the rules. Organisers said that Mo-Rae's accident had been caused by an intercom failure. McRae, of Scotland, the leader on the first two days of the three-day event, was unable to hear instructions from Ringer and approached a corner too

"It just goes to show you that, even with a lead of over three minutes, the conditions here are so treacherous that anything can happen," Ringer

The crash had put Juha Kankkunen, of Finland, in a



McRae: unhurt by crash

Toyota Celica, into the lead, but he badly damaged his car when he hit a rock and had to ease, up: Sainz gained; a minute overall on the leading cars, while Piero Liatti, of Italy, the Subaru driver, who had been quickest on the last ten stages of the 1.288kilometre raily, sealed second place. Kankunnen survived to Yoshio Fujimoto, of Japan.

Tommi Makinen, also of Finland, who pulled out on Saturday when his Mitsubshi's radiator burst, retains overall lead in the race for the world championship with 40 points. Sainz is on 35 points and McRae on 22.

"The situation as far as championship points is concerned is the same as before Indonesia and now the fight will continue in Greece," Makinen said. Sainz, who survived two accidents and gearbox problems, said: "It was my first time in Indonesia and this rally was one of the most difficult of my career. I am suprised to have won,

especially after the first day." The rally is widely regarded as one of the toughest of all because of the fierce heat, rain and slippery road surfaces.

money as the answer. Hawick. only partly through circumstance, rely largely on the fact that every member of the side is home-bred. In time, com-THE TIMES

LATEST OUALIFIERS FOR AREA FINALS

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assault, that gave them a 15-0 lead in virtually as many minutes.

Renwick, the captain, and Scott Welsh, after a nervous nervy beginning, belatedly kick-started the recovery on it. Fergus Henderson, the Watsonians captain, acknowledged, after the game, that his

ral Tennents Cup final. all that, but, for now, it has held amid an atmo- created a bond that ultimately proved the difference on Saturday and ensured that Hawick refused to fold even after Watsonians' withering early

> Hawick's rapport with their supporters is also special. Almost a quarter of the town's population of 16,000 travelled up from the Borders and made their presence felt in the crowd of 22,709, a record for a Scottish club game. Among them was Hawick's version of the Dax band, which, perched high in the West Stand, led the rally off the field while Brian

Grafton's

final

flourish

club's six-goal Jersey Lilies

Cup was won over four chuk-

kas at Ambersham, Sussex,

yesterday, by Grafton, the team put together by the Alun-

Jones brothers, Nick and

Jeremy, with a 6-5 win against

Traviata, the previous holders

of the trophy, (John Watson

La Traviata fielded a

strong, mutually-supporting

pair at their centre, William

Roberts and Roddy Vere

Nicoll, his No 2, but the well-

co-ordinated attacks of those

two were too often frustrated

by the veteran Paul Withers, Grafton's back, famous for his

mighty back-banders but now

reduced to a 3-handicap. The

play of the Alun-Jones broth-

ers has also shown a great

improvement since the start of

By the end of the third chukka, the well-balanced

Grafton combination were 6-2

up. In the last, the ubiquitous Roberts was largely responsi-

ble for the three Traviata

goals that reduced Grafton's

victory in this first low-

goal final of the season to only

GRAFTON: 1, N Alun-Jones (0), 2, R Hissom (2), 3, J Alun-Jones (1), back P Withers (3)

this tournament.

Ricardo Pavoncelli's

writes).

Mark Souster sees a small-town club enjoy a cup triumph at Murrayfield

Hawick strike blow for old-fashioned virtues

side had been undone by band

"I don't know whether it is them coming from a close-knit community, but their crowd certainly out-shouted ours," Henderson said. "When they scored their first try, the band started to play and I told the boys: 'I don't want to hear that again' - but every time the ball went up in the air, all you could hear was them playing and the Hawick crowd shouting. It was a desperately disappoint-

ing day. Henderson and his Watsonians will wonder how they lost this match. Their brand of 15-man rugby created tries for the superb Scott Hastings and Duncan Hodge early in the first half and the

Lingfield Park

Goling: good to firm (firm in back straight)

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3.10 1, Colendge (16-1), 2, Lafindi (8-1); 3, Coustanti (9-1), The Lad 15-8 fav. 14 ran.

3.40 1 To The Roof (100-30 lav), 2, Fart And A Half (25-1), 3, Ann's Pearl (10-1), 12 ran

2.25 1 Poly My Son (7-2 lav), 2, Insh Ozera (20-1), 3 How Could I (10-1), 14 ran

2.56 1, Smarter Cherrer (7-1) 2, Ivor's Deed (13-2), 3, Mellors (8-1), 4 Combarneur (16-1) Silverdate kinght 4-1 fav. 16 ran.

3.25 1, Courseur (12-1), 2 Bollen Frank (7-1)

Jackpot: £43,405.10.

Bath

Beverley

patterns that they wove threatened to cut Hawick to ribbons: the pack provided a stream of possession that Hodge, who had opened the scoring with a penalty, used astutely - and in the early stages, in contrast,



3.55 1. Royal Expression (9-1). 2, 122a (11-4 fav). 3, Hulbank (12-1) 13 ran NR. Tancred

4 ran. 4.55 f. Dometia (7-1), 2 Danling Clover (11-10 lavi), 3, Hambitooh (9-1) 9 ran

7.00 1, Just Loui (12-1), 2, Castle Ashby Jack (9-4 lav); 3. Calchou (6-1), 8 ran

(9-4 tan): 3 Calchou (6-1) 8 ran 7.30 1, Sweet Supposin (5-4 tan), 2 David James Ge (13-2), 3 Sandmon Denmin (9-2) 10 ran NR Orange Edireme 8 00 1, Well Arranged (9-2), 2, Hilzahi (10-3 tan) 3 Backnew (4-1) 7 ran 8 30 1 Vax New Way (6-1), 2 Jon's Choice (11-2) 3, Wardara (2-1 tan), 8 ran 9.00 1, C-Harry (2-1 tan), 8 ran 9.00 1, C-Harry (2-1 tan) 2, Don't Forget Shoka (4-1); 3, Tacon Nurchan (7-2); 5 ran, 9.30 1, Northern Fan (100-30), 2, Sporting Risk (14-1), 3 Young Benson (15-8 fav), 10 18 Chadleigh Lano

5.40 1. Secretary Of State (9-4 ji-lavi, 2, Barney's Gift (7-2); 3. Dodgy Dancer (12-1) Will James 9-4 ji-lav 5 ran 8.10 1 Lowerwalta (8-1) 2. Facros (5-4 ji-lavi, 3, Indian Run (5-4 ji-lavi, 4 ran

5 40 1, Royal Circus (3-1 (t-tav) 2, Mr Geneaclogy (13-2), 3, Most Equal (3-1 (t-tas)

7 ran 7.10 1. Tipping The Line (7-1): 2. Tim (7-4). 3. Blacing Dove (10-1): Governor Daniel 6-4 Iov. 7 ran INF Greenful Palchwork. 7-40 1. Straight Talk (11-4). 2. James Pogg 16-4 favi 3. Far Sonior (50-1): 5 ran

12.15 1 Plunder Bay (5-4 lav). 2 Dano Mate. (11-4) 3, Music Score (33-1). 11 ran. NR. Flaming Sands.

Flaming Sands.

12.45 1 Pridewood Picker (11-2) 2
Scorchight (50-1); 3 Northern Trial (10-1)
Emerald Ruser 4-1 tav 11 rain
1.15 1, Beatsome (14-1) 2. Father Dowling
(5-2 lav) 3 Petry Bridge (16-1) 11 rain
1.45 1, Newton Point (2-1 fav) 2 Fools Like
Gold (5-1), 3 Lend Vocalist (6-1) 12 rain
2.20 1, Factor Ten (14-1), 2, Lemon's Mill
(8-13 lav) 3, Formbridge (5-1) 12 rain NR
Ferrey Tauth
2.50 1 Regal Gam (50-1) 2. Spertime Buck
(11-2) 3, Royal Ruser (4-1 kar) 21 rain NR.
Moor Hall Lady

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SATURDAY'S RESULTS

distribution, while the players around him repeatedly lost possession or contrived to throw away good attacking Yet Hawick gradually reasserted themselves. Against the

run of play, they scored a try after half an hour through Imray, the lock forward, although the pass from Stanger to Renwick that set up the score looked suspiciously forward. It gave Hawick breathing space and self-confidence. aithough, as much as they dominated the third quarter, they could not dent Watsonians' defensive line. Not, that is until. 15 minutes from time. when Turnbull, the full back. repeated his scoring feat against Melrose. Welsh converted and suddenly the momentum had passed to

out of place. Weish was out of they surged forward. Six minsorts with his kicking and utes from time, Watsonians on the floor, but, instead of opting to kick at goal to level the scores, Hawick gambled and ran. Such bravado was rewarded when Welsh out his earlier misdemeanours behind him by twisting over in Now trailing by two points.

Roared on by the faithful.

Watsonians produced one last drive and won a scrum 30 metres out but, with Hodge poised to drop for goal, Jim Hay took one against the head and the celebrations began. SCORERS: Watsonlans: Tries: Hastings Hodge Conversion. Hodge Penalty goal: Hodge Newidt. Tries: Invav., Turribuli. Welsh Conversion: Welsh WATSONIANS: D Lee, F Henderson. S Hastings, A Garry, J Kerr. D Hodge. J Weston, T Smith, G McNeysey, J Waddet G Hannah, B Griffies, C Mather, I Sinclair, C Biome.

HAWICK: CTurribuli, G Sharp, A Stanger, C Murray, K Suddon, S Welsh, K Reid, B

McConneil J Hay, A Johnstone, J Graha A Imray I Elliot, G Harris, B Renwick. Referee: J Fleming

GOING: STANDARD

POINT-TO-POINT

BB.SDALE (Easingwold) Members: 1, Helicalmudwrestier (Miss T Gray, 1-2 tay 4 ran Confined: 1, Pure Madness (R Edwards, 3-1 (t-lay) 10 ran Open: 1, Park Drift (R Tote, 1-2 lay) 6 ran Rest 1, Cumberland Blues (Miss A Denval) 3 ran Ladless: 1, Cheeky Pot (Mrs S Grant 7-1) 6 ran Open midn: 1, Hungry Jack (P Alkinson, 6-4 lay) 10 ran.

Adhresis, 6-4 evy 10 ran;
CUMBERLAND (Aspaina) Members: 1,
Grower (P Dogde, Evers (av) 4 ran
Rest: 1, Funny Feelings (Miss D Laidlaw,
10-1) 8 ran Ladies: 1, Out The Door
(Miss S Barter, 4-5 (av) 7 ran Open: 1,
Secret Sceptre (A Parker, 1-4 fav) 3 ran
Confined: 1, Loughtinstown Boy (P
Craggs, 5-4 lav) 6 ran. Open mon: 1,
Beccy Brown (J Walton, 20-1) 16 ran

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GOLDEN VALLEY (Bredwardine) Members: 1. All Greek To Me (W Bryan, 5-4) 3
ran Conflined: 1. Celtic Abbey (D S
Jones, 4-6 lav) 12 ran Open: 1. Ustary
Lad (D S Jones, 4-1) 8 ran Ladles: 1.
Bani-head (Miss C Speaming, 11-3) 12
ran Rest I: 1. Stepasideboy (A Crow,
5-1) 14 ran Rest II; 1. Dara's Course (A
Philips, 20-1) 13 ran Open mdn II; 1,
Mariner's Walk (H Wheeler, 10-1) 15 ran
Open mdn II; 1, Micksollemma (A
Philips, 5-1) 17 ran Open mdn III; 1,
Derring Ann (D S Jones, 5-1), 15 ran.

LIANDEILO (Erw Lon) Members. 1.
Barnaby Boy (J P Keen, 1-2 lav) 4 ran
Confined: 1, Northern Bluff (J Julies, 1-3
tay) 4 ran Open; 1, Moving Force to
Jukes, 4-5 tay) 4 ran Ladles; 1, Kurnada
(Miss S Wallin, 7-2) 4 ran Rest: 1,
Dustys Traf (R Thomton, 7-4 tay) 6 ran
PPORA 1, Warron Boy Li Jukes, 4-6 fay)
2 ran Open moh. 1, Sister Lark (P
Williams, 6-4 lay) 10 ran

MINEHEAD & WEST SOMERSET MINEHEAD & WEST SOMERSET (Holnicote) Members: 1, Tuffrut Tom (R Payne, 2-1 /k-fav) 5 ran Open mdn I: 1, Springcombe III sa Ardel Boy (Mas P Gundry, 5-2) 11 ran. Ladles: 1, Fosbury (Mss P Gundry, 5-2) 11 ran. Ladles: 1, Fosbury (Mss P Gundry, 5-2) 10 ran. Rest 1, Fellow Soun. (I Downok, 5-1) 10 ran. Open: 1, Pintal Bay (Maj G Wheeler, 3-1; 5 ran Condinact 1, Tangle Beron (M Fiction, 7-1) 8 ran.

Folian, 7-11 or ran

VALE OF AYLESBURY (Kingston Blouri) Confined: 1 Cawkwell Dean (R Sweeting, 4-5 fav), 7 ran Rest, 1 Elite Governor (B Hodkin, 7-4 fav), 10 ran Ladies; 1, Sperini Youn (Mins K Sunder, 1, Sperini Youn (Mins K Sunder, 1, Sperini Youn (Mins K Sunder, 1, Sperini Youn (Mins), 11 and Members: 1, Radical Views (A Hill, 7-4), 5 ran,

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3.30 ITALY HANDICAP

11-4 Belia Sedona, 9.2 Berne Spy, 6-1 Cross Talk, 8-1 Secondams, Captain

4.00 FRANCE FILLIES HANDICAP

(£3,179: 1m) (11)

9-4 Lady Digmity, 4-1 Noble Cengrine, 7-1 Toffee, Station Countess, 6-1 Prudent Prancess, Grey Galace, 10-1 others 4.30 DENMARK SELLING STAKES

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9-4 Come Too Mamora's, 11-4 Face D. 4-1 Run Lucy Run, 5-1 Who Told Vicky. 10-1 Chilled Wine, 12-1 Midnight Times, 14-1 Rehora, 16-1 others

5.00 GERMANY APPRENTICE HANDICAP

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2 1060 MAZILA 7 (V.CD.G) A Streeter 4-9-2 ... R Handin 10
3 30-0 MEGA TID 4 (G) 8 Pearse 4-9-0 ... J Wilderson (S) 2
4 500 SILVER HIDITER 1954 (F) 6 Bravery 5-9-0 ... J Wilderson (S) 2
5 5110 CAROL AGRAN 11 (CD.BF. G) N Bycord 4-9-0 ... Franch 6
6 2-20 WATCH NE GO 6 (F.G) Rob Jones 7-8-10 ... Franch 8
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8 2550 MR MORIARTY 11 (C.G) S Boaring 5-9-5 ... M Baird 11
10 0-22 PERSORMUS 11 1 Wisson 6-8-3 ... M Baird 11
10 0-22 PERSORMUS 11 Wisson 6-8-3 ... P Possey 6
11 -635 MILTOWN CLASSIC 14 J Parkes 4-7-10 ... P Fessey 6

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINERS: M Ryan, 20 winners, from 86 namers, 23 3%; Bob Jones, 6 hum 33, 18 2%, W O'Gorman, 33 from 183, 18 0%. M Canacho, 16 from 107, 15 0%; R Geed, 5 from 34, 14 7%, 5 Bowing, 45 from 295, 14 4%, J Berry 34 from 245, 13,9%; S Woods, 7 from 54, 13 0%, G Bravery, 4 from 31, 12 9% JOCKEYS: D Bogs, 31 wamers from 167 rides, 18.6%, J Fortune, 25 from 158, 15.8%, Eroma O'Gorman, 27 from 172, 15.7%; F Lynch, 11 from 72, 15.3%; D Harrison, 21 from 148, 14.2%; C Teague, 21 from 149, 14.1%

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GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

2.15 AYTON MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN STAKES

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PENSION FUND (D Spence) M W Easterby 9-0 ...

SHUPER 5 (M. Easterby) M W Easterby 9-0 ...

THE LAMETON WORM (Lord Dorners) Denys Smith 9-0 ...

CALA-HOUME 94's M Golman T Easterby 8-9 ...

LIJCKY OANWOOD (Sporting Query) Med Bell 8-9 ...

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Ta Rib wins French 1,000 Guineas for young Newmarket trainer

Dunlop captures classic at first attempt

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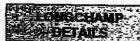
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ED DUNLOP entered the classic records at the first attempt here yesterday when Ta Rib rose from obscurity to claim the Dubai Poule d'Essai des Pouliches (French 1,000 Guineas). It was a magnificent performance from the filly and all connected with her.

So nervous was the Newmarket trainer that he watched the race alone. And he could barely amplify his feelings when Ta Rib, a winner in maiden company at Newmarket seven days earlier, returned to a rapturous



8.85 POULE D'ESSAI DES POULICHES (Group I: 3-Y-O filles: 1m; £131,752) 1, Ta Rib (W Carson); 2, Shake The Yoke (D Boeuf); 3, Sagar Pride (D Pestier), 9 ran. 3.1, 34. E Duniop in Neumarket. Parl-mutuel (to 1tr staka); 15.10; 2.30, 1.10, 2.80. DF: 10.90. 4.05 POULE D'ESSAI DES POULANS (Group I: 3-Y-O colts: 1m: £131,752) Ashkeleni (G Mosse): 2. Spirming World (C Asmussen): 3, Taguta (K Darley). 10 ran. Ni, 141 A de Royer Dupre in France. Par-mutuel: 1,80; 1,10, 1,70, 2,50, DF-4,80.

reception. Fittingly, Dunlop's proud parents were on hand to celebrate the achievement. gained only after Sheikh Hamdan Al-Maktoum, who owns Ta Rib, insisted she

should take her chance. Willie Carson rode a perfectly judged race, positioning Ta Rib just behind Godolphin's Shawanni for much of the onemile trip. The jockey turned his mount loose approaching the final furlong and Ta Rib was never really threatened by the late rush of Shake The

Yoke, the red-hot favourite. Carson said: This is a big thrill. The filly has gone from winning a maiden to winning the French Guineas. What



Ta Rib and Carson hold off Shake The Yoke, right, in the Poule D'Essai des Pouliches at Longchamp yesterday. Photograph: John Crofts

more can you say?" And Dunlop, 27, said of Ta Rib: "I have always liked her but I was very worried about coming here so quickly after she won at Newmarket. It was the sheikh's wish and he was

proved right." The victory will do wonders for Dunlop's morale. It has been a difficult experience for the young handler, who took over Sheikh Maktoum's Newmarket stable on the death of Alex Scott 18 months ago.

Most of the staff stayed loyal

to the stable and Dunlop dedicated this victory to them. He is the third licence holder at Gainsborough Stables in six years. This triumph should now cement the new alliance. All those involved can now look ahead rather than reflect on the tragic circumstances

behind Scott's death. Dunlop's father, John, has yet to land a French classic in his 31 seasons with a licence, His hopes might briefly have been raised when Kahir Almaydan took the lead from

Gothenberg in the Poule D'Essai des Poulains. However, Kahir Almaydan's stamina failed him and he was eventually swamped into fifth place by a posse of late challengers. Tagula, the first to collar Kahir Almaydan, threatened to bring another classic back to Britain but he, too, could not resist the surge of Ashkalani. The winner, now unbeaten in four outings, represented a

long overdue return to the

classic scene for the Aga Khan.

four years ago after Sangster

had sold him nine months

How times have changed.

Sangster recently chose to

earlier for a paltry \$400,000.

progress into fourth after a troubled passage but Don Micheletto, Danehill Dancer and Gothenberg all faded tamely to fill the last three

Sadly. Ashkalani is not bred for 12 furlongs. Neither is the runner-up. Spinning World. who received a 16-1 quote for the Derby after finishing fastest of all here. Cash Asmussen had trouble finding racing room at the end of a rough race and Spinning World looked capable of better. No

decision on his participation at Epsom has yet been made. On the Derby front, Shaamit is to miss his engagement in the Dante Stakes at York on Wednesday after suffering a setback. But his trainer, Willie Haggas, has not abandoned hope of sad-dling the colt at Epsom. Ladbrokes have restructured their Dante book. The firm now bet: 5-4 Nash House, 7-2 Dushyantor, 9-2 Storm Trooper, 5-1 Glory Of Dancer, 14-1

Treble helps Jukes cement title claim

POINT-TO-POINT BY CARL EVANS

JAMIE JUKES strengthened his position at the head of the men's championship with a treble at the Llandeilo Farmers' meeting in Wales on Saturday. His main rival, Alastair Crow, had to settle for

a single success at the Golden All the top riders enjoy purple patches, but to be champion it is necessary to knit the patches together. Jukes, 25, has been doing just that, taking his total from II a

month ago to 30 on Saturday. Winning on odds-on North-ern Bluff was predictable, but when Fox Pointer was pulled

Yesterday Jukes set off early from his home in West Wales to travel to South Devon for rides at Ottery St Mary before going to the meeting at Maisemore Park in Gloucestershire. "I think my car's going to need a service after this," Jukes said. "I might not

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: NO MONKEY NUTS (2.45 Redcar) Next best: Alpine Panther (3.45 Redcar)

beat Alastair, but I'll make him sweat." The women's championship is also a two-horse race. Polly Curling clawed one back on

Sangster revives Derby dreams the identity of their owners. Senor diminished considera-JULIAN MUSCAT pre-Maktoum era. In two Nevertheless, when Sangster bly when the colt was shortheaded by Secreto in 1984. And Dr Devious triumphed minutes of television the dominated the sport, he did so

atre last week, Robert Sangster, formerly landlord of the British Turi, sifted through his Derby candidates like a poker player eyeing his hand. The aces may be fewer these days but Sangster has clearly not forgotten how to shuffle

the pack. trade over Astor Place, who Sangster suggested had worked better that morning than Nash House. Sangster's words still strike a chord with the public, and Coral's offer of 33-1 had dissolved to 20-1 by the day's end.

There was a time, 15 years ago, when Sangster's coits dominated the Derby buildup as do Maktoum runners today. His was the interview most prized by the betting public. He could be indiscreet Omerta-like silence.



Sangster's racecourse jousts with the Maktoums made compelling viewing until the extent of the Dubai rulers' fortune became clear. Con-temporary racing folk have declared themselves bored with the processional big-race victories of the Maktoum family. It is remarkable to reflect that Sangster stood accused of the same crime i5

years ago. A personal view is that the pleasure gained from watching the finest thoroughbreds

with manache. He teased television audiences with his observations in advance of the classics. Nostalgia flooded the airwaves when he was at it again last week. Of course, it was Sangster

who ingrained racing with its stock-market mentality. And mee, tended to govern his words when interviewed. A few choice comments would nail a deal; it is a shade of odds-on that part of Astor Place will have been sold in advance of the Derby. For Sangster remains primarily a dealer in bloodstock.

If racing has always been governed by high stakes. Der-by day is the biggest deal of all. Bloodstock values mean little to the Maktoums but they mean everything to Sangster, who has twice prevailed at Epsom with The Minstrel and Golden Fleece. Yet there have been disasters.

7.20 BIT OF A CLOWN HANDICAP SKY CHASE (\$3,082; 2m 61) (9)

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1 B213 SLMGSBY 12 (BF.F) Mrs. H Kinglé 6-11-7

2 BBUD BIT OF A DREAM 7 Mrs. S Smith 6-11-0

3 CELTIC MYSTERY 1 Cazey 7-11-0

4 DRAKEFORD 41 R Roure 5-11-0

5 BU CHICHARD KING 40 DE WINDER 6-11-0

6 D-73 SLEAZEY 63 LJ O'Neil 5-11-0

7 THE FEMCE 5-HRINGER D McCam 5-11-0

8 DPD BLUCANDO 44P D Nicholoon 6-10-9

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4-5 Singsty, 4-1 Sleazy, 5-1 Braidlant, 7-1 Cellic Mystery, 18-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

describe his palatial Manton training complex as "a small, family-run stable" Derby candidates. Nash House actually belongs to the Weinstock family but Astor Place, Heron Island, Legal Right and Chief Contender all carry the Sangster livery.

Derby dreams are only fleeting: this week's trials at York may hole Sangster's boat below the waterline. However, most impartial observers will be hoping his horses come through. Should one of them make it all the way to the winner's enclosure at Epsom. it will make a nostalgic stroll down memory lane for the man who once bestrode the The value of his El Gran sport like a Colossus.

WINDSOR THUNDERER

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2 GP56 WRECKLESS MAN 12 (D.F.G.S) J Old 9-11-10 Ellplan 3 43P6 SARAVILLE 18 G.G.S) F Jordan 9-11-8	6.05 Eurobox Boy, 6.35 Classic Ballet, 7,05 Meranti, 7.35
4 PUP EARLY MAN 32 (F.S) D Gressell 9-71-7 B Femion (3)	Shining Example. 8.05 Sweet Emmaline. 8.35 Robusta.
5 -UC4 HOWIGHL 17 (F.G) T Forster 10-11-4 5 Whyrane	The Times Private Handicapper's top rating:
6 2925 TITUS ANDRONCUS 7 (B,S) N Gaselen 9-10-13 C Llowellyn 7 S-FO LE BUCHERON 12 (F,G) Mas H Roght 10-10-11 Mr J Collory (B)	B.35 KING OF SPARTA
8 4-P3 TRUSS 7 (C.F.G) Jupson 9-10-1	Our Newmarket Correspondent: 7.05 Faith Alona. 7.35
9 6240 BAYARD BAY 9 (8,D,S) 6 Barrets 12-10-0	Ma Petite Anglaise. 8.35 KING OF SPARTA (nap).
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7.50 LARRY CONNELL MEMORIAL SKY	COF
HUNTERS CHASE (Amateurs: £1,339 2m 110yd) (10)	6.05 BRITISH RED CROSS CLAIMING STAKES
1 At BEAU DANDY 7 (C.F.G.S) Mics C Standers 9-12-2. T Marks (7)	(£2,899: 1m 67yd) (21 runners)
2 PPS1 KING OF SHADOWS 5 (G) Mass C Carden 9-12-2 S Prior (7)	1 (12) 24-0 IJAMA SMBA 21 (DJF) J White 4-9-5 J France 10
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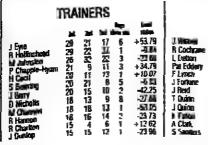
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7.35 CADOGAN GROUP LIMITED 8.05 SURLEY CONDITIONS STAKES (2-Y-0; £4,601: 5f 10yd) (5) 7-4 Salones, 11-4 Matath Bay, 7-2 Roundeart, 9-2 Samel Europaine, 5-1 Granda 8.35 SOWRING GROUP MEDIAN AUCTION **MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-0: £3,095: 1m 2f 7yd) (19)**

if in the mood — much to the chagrin of his trainer, Vincent O'Brien, who maintained an on these shores far outweighs THUNDERER 5.50 Troy's Dream. 6.20 Evangelica. 6.50 Emerald Ruler. 7.20 Howgill. 7.50 Pastoral Pride. 8.20 Carl Evans: 7.50 Pastoral Price. GOING: GOOD TO FIRM 5.50 ST KATHARINE HOUSE HOSPICE SELLING HURDLE (£1,947: 2m) (10 runners) 1 2114 REACH FOR GLORY 7 (D,BF.F) W G M Turner 7-12-6 6.20 BICESTER HUNT WITH WHADDON CHASE ALSO RANS NOVICES CHASE (£3,059: 3m 1f) (7) 6.50 ABEL REWINDS HANDICAP HURDLE

2-1 Cambo, 3-1 An Spatipin Fernich, 7-2 Pasia, 4-1 Limona, 8-1 Dark Schouette. 16-1 Emerald Ruser LEADERS ON THE FLAT RACELINE SOUTHWELL 102 WINDSOR 103 TOWCESTER 104 IRISH 120 FULL RESULTS SERVICE 168





TRAINERS: Miss. C Saunders, 13 womens from 21 remains, 61.9%, 0 Michalson, 19 from 59, 32.2%; 0 (Henran, 25 from 117, 21.4%; 3 OM, 7 from 78, 18.4%; R Rowe, 3 from 20, 15 OK. JOCKEYS: Mr J Cullaty, 3 winners from 7 rides, 42 9%, M Brevnan, 25 from 103, 24 3%; D O'Sullivan, 3 from 15, 20.0%, Mr T Byrne, 3 from 16, 18 8%, J Titley, 3 from 17, 17 6%, WWOSOR: Trainers: M. Levis, 8 obmers from 24 contests, 33.9%; R. Harrison, 44 from 206, 19.9%; H. Candy, 7 from 36, 19.4%; C. Cantana, 4 from 25, 16.0%; A. Shestet, 3 from 19, 15.8%; Lord Handingston, 8 from 51, 15.7%, Jacksup: Per Entory, 33 colorum; horo 157 rates, 21.0%; W. Papa, 8 from 42, 19.0%; F. Spotios, 6 from 45, 13.3%; J. Ped, 17 from 132, 72.8%; W. Carcon, 17 Journ 89, 12.4%

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out of the men's open, Jukes was offered the mount on the Charlotte Williams-trained Moving Force, who duly won. Taking a fall on Buckley's Alison Dare after Fosbury won at the Minchead Harri-Court in the restricted proved Jukes is fallible, but he then ers & West Somerset. Dare is won on Warren Boy, trained four ahead with 26 victories. by Tim Jones. 7.05 PERPETUAL HANDICAP

| 12 0108 TRBM, PEARE 16 (0.6.5) 8 failing 48-2. J Stack (3) 2 (7) 0634 WET PATCH 39 (0.5.6) R Hinters 49-2... R Haghes 30 466 ACCESS ADVENTIORER 93 (0.5.6) R bins 5-3-0 W Rynn (14) 93- COUCHART 18-4 J Wiles 5-4-0... S Drowne (3) 5 (5) 0500 COUNTRY LOWER 12 (V.F.6) Lord Restington 5-9-0 D Harrison (4) 12 (0.5.6) Lord Restington 5-9-0 (11) 28-6 MASTER BENELED 14 (8F.F.6.5) P Buns 6-9-0 J Fortuna (4) 13 (15) 13 (15) 14 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (15) 15 (8 89 940 PREMER LEAGUE 27 (0.6.5) J. Lang 6-9 0. T Red (7) 9 11 90 PREMER LEAGUE 27 (0.6.5) J. Lang 6-9 0. T Red (7) 9 11 90 PREMERS QUILL 207 0. Chapped 4-9 0. B Thornson 10 113 21-6 SHRING DOWNER 13 [7] P Hoten 4-9 0. Pret Eddoy 9 11 90 05-0 TAPPETO 30 (B.J.F.) H Cardy 4-9 0. Pret Eddoy 9 11 90 05-0 TAPPETO 30 (B.J.F.) H Cardy 4-9 0. C Ruther 8 11 (4) 9-0 GLORAMA 14 (5) Lady Homiss 4-8-11 J. J. And 9 11 13 (10) 40-0 MA PETITE ANSLASE 23 (C.F.G.) W Jevis 4-8-11 M Henry (5) 95 14 (3) 0-23 WORDERFULDAY 103 (0.0F.F) H Mbary 5-1-11 G Hand 84 4-1 Master Bureled, 5-7 Stirling Example, 8-1 Access Administra, Me Petter Auglasse, 8-1 Country Laws, Stofmu, 18-1 others

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DOCKCLANDS CARRIAGE 1941 2nd of 4 to Full good to firm) with THEWRIGHTONE 121 Transability in maiden auction at Misselburgh (SI, 10th SUPER SHERRF 7941 5th of 7 to Grovebar good) permittends with TMLL END BDY 3541 3rd of 1 Flyer in celler in Doncesaer (54, good to firm) 11 to Braveheart in marden auction at Thirst (SI, 1) was selection

BETTMG, 9-4 No Montey Nus. 4-1 Sex-Deer, 9-2 Pretter, 5-1 Sense Gl Priorey, 10-1 Kombody, Repoleon's Retern, 16-1 Gove To Hausen, Replaylatel, 20-1 actions 1985: BROCTUME GOLD 4-8-12 & Parton (11-4) Mrs M Reveley 14 ran

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3.15 KISS AND CUDDLE PROFESSIONAL LADY JOCKEYS HANDICAP

(£3, 127: 1m) (13 Tunners)

301 (9) 06-236 BB/TICO 83 (Y.D.F.8) (6 Witchire) Mrs M Macariey 7-10-0 Sophite Milchell

302 (2) 3500-00 PARLIAMENT PECE 4 (8.C.D.F.6) (6 Famdon) D Nicholts 10-8-13 Alex Greaves

303 (1) 060-225 THALEROS 14 (8F.F.6) (M Siteson) 6 Moore 6-9-4 Angels Gallimon

304 (2) 020-026 PDUR 0F SPANES 3 (V.F.6) (Mrs A Sanders) P Erans 5-9-4 Angels Gallimon

305 (8) 030-3-00 SPANESH STEPS 24 (8) (ROM Rearry) M W Esterby 4-6-11. Johnson (7)

306 (12) 020-006 SELF EXPRESSION 25 (CD.F.6.5) (Mrs A Harris J.A Harris 5-8-8 Ju Witester (7)

307 (4) 305042 PC'S CRUSER 28 (8.D.6) (PC Rearry) Perturner) J Eyre 4-8-8 Ainae Cook (7)

308 (8) 05-0100 DANCE 0F JOY 18 (D.6) (Mrs T Cam J Cam 4-6-6 Card Daveson (7)

319 (7) 410/025 CARLTON EXPRESS 5 (8) (A Station) J Eyre 5-8-3 Claims West (7)

310 (9) 020640 BARDA 185 (7) (Incos) E incos 6-7-10 Jamy Barson (7)

311 (9) 020640 BARDA 185 (7) (Incos) E incos 6-7-10 Sally Sanders (7)

313 (90) 0-00030 LANSTORAN 17 (8,0,6) (R Perches) J Eyre 7-7-11 John Milmols (7)

FORM FOCUS PARLIAMENT PECE BI 9th at 1th or feotocon in | Timlers Folly in handicap at Micsalburgh (7) handicap at Cheste (7) 122vd, pood) THALEROS | pood), DANCE OF JOY best allow best No Submismanager at Unising (17 1/2/20, geno) 1794/12/US hand 2nd of 14 to Amesone Verbate in hondrapy at Southwell (1m., AM) persuturants start with PC'S CRUSSES (2to better off) 5/41 4h. FOUR OF SPADES 3/44 4h; d8 to Sook Turn in hundrapy at Linguist (1m., AM) SELF EUPRESSION 6/41 6/61 of 18 to Retained Outsel in selling handrapy at Pontifering (1m., genot), PC'S CRUSSER 2/41 2nd of 12 to

son 14 in apprehiese saling handson at hereactin (1m., spool) with LANSTONIAN (4b. worse off) 49 3rd and SELF EXPRESSION (7b. better off) 101 12m CARTION EXPRESS 41:15 for of 20 for Receive in handson of Concester (7m. 3

3.45 WACKINLAY MEMORIAL HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,491: 1m 2f) (17 runners)

ETTIME 3-1 Handstey HIII, 4-1 Saleszates 5-1 Frest Fankson, 8-1 Lucky Biss, 10-1 Alpha Pargher, Phan Higs, 12-1 Result is Mend, 14-1 Hordhern Fankson, 16-1 others. 1985: TOSHBA TALK 8-0 N Agreedy (12-1) B Ellison 12 mm

SAPERADER and Education St in 12-name transless in Foliastone (1m 11 149rd, lum) Al-PINE PARTHER ST 70 of 12 to Santation or malden at Foliastone (7, pond to from), PHARTON HAZE chart-toned and 241 and to talestand in 15-names transless at 8 pp.n (1m 3, good) with ORDANIED (1b tolder off) 11 6th CRYSTAL WARRIOR B 4th of 12 to Backdrup in maiden auction at Ponistraci (Im 21 good) LUCNY BEA beat Streedale Ringtot nech in 11-numer handicap at Nemzashe (Im. good) HAWYSLEY HILL beat Go-Go-Power-Ranger 1141 in 5-numer handicap at Microelburgh (Im 31, good) FOREST FANTASY 3'N-1 4th of 15 to Eben Neaz, in handicap 4.15 DANBY MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-0: £3,873: 1m 2f) (8 runners)

SECTIVE, 5-4 Get Amony Wife, II, 9-4 Vinds, 6-1 Lord DI The Masor b-1 Michanned, 12-1 olives. 1995: LINETED PRONT 9-0 W Byers (4-11 lay) H Cacil 8 sin

4.45 TEES HANDICAP (£3,483: 2m 4yd) (6 runners)

FORM FOCUS										
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5.15 HUNTCLIFFE FILLIES HANDICAP (£3,769: 7f) (11 runners)										

RETTRIES: 11-4 Zoide Zord, 4-1 Maid O'Carole, Lovely Prospect, 6-1 Fanywings. Charming Bride 10-1 others. 1995: 7FTA 4-10-0 A Maday (6-4) S Williams 5 ran FORM FOCUS

AMERICAN FOOTBALL WORLD LEAGUE (WLAF): Frantuit Galaxy © Scottish Claymores 20

ATHLETICS ARINSBERG, Germany: Selected results: Mert: 100m; 1, L. Christie (GB) 10.20sc; 2, 9 Stevers: (Bel) 10.28, 3, M Blume (Ge) 10.32; Discuss: 1, L. Riedel (Ger) 85 52m; 2, 1 Schut: (Ger) 64 08, 3, A Seelig (Ger) 33.04; Wormen: Shot; 1, A kumbernuss Ger) 20.05, 2, G Hammer (Ger) 18.90; 3, I Wotsch (Ger) 17.20.

Wittich (Geri 17:20.

THURROCK: Essex championships (winners): Men: 100m: J Fergus (Belgrave) 10 Seec. 400m: M Smith (Woodford Green) 47:8 900m: J Guest (Thurnock) Imm 52:4sec. 3,000m sheepischasse; D Lennon (Immes Valley) 9:29.5 110m hurdles: P 8mus (Harlow) 15.1sec High Jump: D Setichley (Toam Solent) 190m. Pole vault: M Buok (Woodford Green) 46:0m Hammer: R Earle (Harngey) 58:72m Javelin: P Cooper (Woodford Green) 46:0m Hammer: 100m: D Cousins (Basidorn) 12:2soc 400m: V Dey (Essex Ladies) 56:4 800m: J Suffivan (Havering Mayesbrook) 2min 13:4sec. 100m hurdles: k Skatchley (Team Solent) 14:2sec. Triple Jump: D Jones (Harlow) 11:23m. Shot: S Andrews (Essex Ladies) 15:24m Discus: Andrews 52:10m

52.10m
CRYSTAL PALACE: Kent champlonships (winners): Merc 100m; P Swihe (GSC Avionics): 1073sec 400m; N Keogh (Blackheath) 49.45 1,500m; S Barden (GEC Avionics): 3 min 48.25sec; 3,000m; steeplechase: J Humm (Cemthridge Hamers): 90.86): 400m hundles: heoph 54.98 Pole vault: D Giby (Cambridge Hamers): 4.20m; Long jump; J King (Harlinge): 6.48m Shot; L Newman (Beigrave): 18.11m (Championship record): Discus: Newman 54.42m; Women: 200m; J Meduaka (Bromley Ladies): 24.32sec; 800m; H Daniel (Cambridge): Hamlers): 2mh 11.04sec 400m hundles: M Giffram (Toribridge): 62.65sec; Triple; jamp; K Denham; (Blackheath): 12.51m; Hammer: E Augee (Essex Ladies): 48.10m; Jevelin: I, Mulford (Mechway): 31.85m.

ENFIELD: Middlesex chempionships (winners): Morr 200m: S Warso (Hanngey) 21 1sec 800m: R Ashe (Hillingdon) min 51.8sec, 5,000m: D Frampton (Old Gaytonans) 15,210 110m hundles: B Taylor (Old Gaytonans) 14,5 Long jump: O Onuoran (Shalisebury Barnet) 7,22m Shot: F Hyde (Old Gaytonans) 16,37m. Hammer: P Vivian (Tharnes Valley) 66,02m 3/km wall: J Half (Belgrave) 14,14 8 Javelin: P Parry (Old Gaytonans) 62,25m. Womer: 200m: M Walker (Shalisebury Barnet) 24,9sec; 400m. C Amade (Windsor; Slough and Elon) 56,7 800m. N Andrews (Shalisebury Barnet) 21,9sec; 200m: N Andrews (Shalisebury Barnet) 21,9sec; 200m. N Andrews (Shalisebury Barnet) 21,18 3,000m; 2,18 1,000m; 2,18 Stough and Eton) 56 7 800m. N Anchews (Shaffesbury Barnet) 9mm 56 9sec 400m hurdles: Amede 61.7. Pole wauft D McLennan (Hounetow 2m Long) ump: A Hansen (Shaffesbury Barnet) 5 94m Triple lump: M Gnifith (Windsot, Stough and Eton) 13 40m (Champonship record) Shoc 1 Axien (Hounetow) 13,54m

200m; R James (Championship record). 800m; R James (Dorlong and Mole Valley) 1min 58.6sec 5,000m; S Wilson (Toom Solem) 14,50 4 110m husdles; A David Irmin 58.6sec 5,000m: S Wilson (Toam Solem) 14.50 4 110m hurdles: A Dewid Cambridge Harners) 15.2sec. High jumps: R Aspden (Bégrave) 2.05m. Pole vaust: D McDernott (Epsom and Ewel) 4.60m. Triple jumps: D Browne (Belgrave) 15.24m. Javelin: J Davis (Walton) 50.26m Women: 200m: E Renalda (Esset Ledies) 23.9sec. (Chemponship record) 800m: J Mitchell (Croydon) 2mm 12.3sec 3,000m: A Jones (Walton) 11:58. 100m hurdles: S Farculasson (Croydon) 13.6sec (champonship record) Long jumps: J Bernett (Epsom and Ewel) 5.91m Shot C Johnson (Windsor, Sough and Eton) 13.21m Discus: S Henton (Birchield) 45.94m Hanner: J Smith (Windsor, Slough and Eton) 43.24m.
LUTON: Bedfordshise champlonships (winners): Men: 100m: D Joyce (Thames Valley) 10.9sec. 400m. D O'Shea (Luton) 43.7 3,000m: S Reinstord (Stopsley Sinders) 100m: 02.2sec 110m hurdles: W Gordon (Luton) 17.3sec 110m; R Bayliss (Luton) 12m. Discus: S Whyte 45.74m. Women: 200m: D Akton (Bedford) 25.8 800m: C Pet (Bedford) 221.8 400m hurdles: M herr (Luton) 173 8 Long jumps: Rollinson (Luton) 4 03m Triple jump: Rollinson (Luton) 8 00m.

AUSTRALIAN RULES AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE (AFL): Adelade 20 12 (13:2) Fremantle Dockers 5 6 (36); West Coast Esgles 19 11 (125) North Melbourne 7 16 (58); Richmond 17.11 (113) Footscray 8 8 (62): Brisbane Bears 15 14 (104) Hawthorn 5 11 (41), Carlton 18.17 (125) Fizzoy 8 14 (62), Sydney Swars 12 10 (82) Melbourne 5 8 (38), Si Kikta 18 10 (118) Colungwood 14 11 (95) BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Friday: Flonda 4
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BASKETBALL

New York 102 Chicago 99 (OT) (Chicago laed best-of-seven series 2-1) Western Conference: Uteh 105 San Antonio 75 **BOWLS**

EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE Com-bridgeshire 102 Norlok 132; Hurtingdon-shire 97 Bedfordshire 131; Suffok 114 Hortisreshire 100 MOUNTS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Derbyshire 113 Nottinghamshire 111; Northams 105 Lincolamina 107 INTER-COUNTY: Buckingham 129 Lelegetershire 112: Essex 122 Oddordshire 110: Hampshire 128 Borkshire 99; Wannick-shire 110 Surrey 116.

BOXING

NEW YORK: Proteasional bouts: Heavy-weight (12mds): Lermox Lewis (GB) bit Ray Merces (US) pts. (12mds): Tim Witherspoon (US) bit Jorge Luss Gonzales (Cutal) pts. 112mds): Evender Hollyfield (US) bit Bobby Cayz (US) rss Sth Tizmos) Evender Hospinar (US) St Bodoy Czyz (18) sec Sth YORK HALL: British crutiserweight championiship (12mds)* Terry Dunstan (Vauchal, holder) bi Jofm Keeton (Shoffisid) rsc 1st. Heavyweight (Grads) Piee Reid (Birmaryham) bi Keth Fleicher (Reading) ko 1st. Light-heavyweight (4mds). Ryan Cummings (Birgon) bi Kedy Wadman (Bighton) rsc 2nd Super middleweight (4mds)* Michael Bowen (West Ham) bit Mark Dawson (Burton) pts; (Sinds): Fredrik Abrarez (Sweden) bit Kewn Burton (Doncaster) ko 1st. (Ginds) Trevor Ambrose (Bournerrouth) bi Matt Larsen (Denmark) rsc 2nd (Ginds) Middleweight: Ryan Rhodes (Sheffield) bit Martin Johey Alfreton) rsc 2nd; (Ginds) ason Metthews (sington) bi Peter Vosper (Pymouth) rsc 2nd (Ginds) ason Metthews (sington) bi Peter Vosper (Pymouth) rsc 2nd; Ginds) ason Metthews (sington) bi Peter Vosper (Pymouth) rsc 2nd (Ginds) discon Metthews (sington) bi Peter Vosper (Pymouth) rsc 2nd (Ginds) discon Metthews (Sington) bi Jim Webb (Belfast) rsc 2nd (Stellast) rsc 2nd SEDUL; World Boxing Association junior-

SEOUL: World Boxing Association junior-ightweight champiorship (12rds): Chal Yong-soo (S Kar) bt Arlando Soto (Pan) ka 12th

CYCLING

TOUR OF ROMANDIE: Final stage (174km, Orbs to Geneval: 1, M Cpollin (II) 4ms, 4mm, 2, M Traverson (II), 3, A Gordchenkov (Fluss); 4 G Lombard (II), 5, F Sanon (Fr); 7, M Marzon, (II); 8, S Mertmello (III, 9, A Swekov (Fluss); 10, D Bramati (II) all same time. Final overall placings: 1, A Olano (Sp) 25ms 57mn 05sec, 2, A Gordchenkov (Fluss) at 118, 3, G Guerin (Flust); 126 4, D Rebellin (II) 136: 5, M Garnetn (Switz) 230; 6, E Berzin (Fluss); 238, 7, B Zberg (Switz) 322; 8, P Ugnournov (Las) 3:53, 9, A Noe (II) 421, 10, M Betzan-Martinez (Sp) 4:52 10, M Betzan-Mattricz (Sp) 4:52
ROAD RACES: Harper's Grand Prix (100 mles): 1, J Bayfield (Controlware R7) 4/m 07mn 40sec. 2, D Rand (Feam Energy), 3, N Hoban (Giff Almays Feugeot) all same time Wyre Forest CRC (64 miles): 1, I Gilkes (Pairez International RT) 2/m 32/mn 18sec. 2, M Ford (Team Storeheld) at 48sec; 3. J Meyer (Parker Int'll) at 48 John Mey Memoriet (63 miles); 1 G Adamson (Stretford Wheelers) 2hr 32mm Düsec; A Hobby (VC Lincoln); 3. 5 Felsteed (Douglas Valley RC) all same time

FOR THE RECORD

TIME-TRIALS: RTTC women's national (10 miles) 1, J Freeman (Easterley RC) 21min 28sec (champonship record), 2 S Philips (Decside Thattid) 21:31, 3, M Johnson (Oundle Velo) 22:03. Team Oundle Velo 108:22. RTTC Carcult Senest: First round: (Solm) 1, Resubte (Weinber, RC) 110 Grain 49:22. P Longoortom (N Winal Velo) 107:03: 3, S Howes (Team Energy) 1:08:54 Redmond CC (73 miles), 1, Ri Homer (Fareham Wheelers) 3ths 0thma 42sec; 2, E Dearne (Bournemouth Jubide Winesiers) 3:07:37, 3, K Tye (West hant RC) 3:12:09, Teams: Sydenham Wheelers) 10:01:58. Holme Valley Winesiers (50 miles), 1, 1 Cenmansh (Velo Viento) 1th 46min 08sec; 2, G Watts (Team Racide) 1:48:15, 3. P Widesmith (Middidge CRT) 1:49:25, Teams: Racide) (Isstest thad rider) 1:57:22 Wiest Chesthier TTCA (Sto miles) 1, J Howard (Merseyside Wheelers) 1th 56min 04sec, 2, P Hodofamson (Crewe Caron Wheelers) 1:54:30; 3, J Frinciley (Lyme RC) 1:57:00. Team: Crewe Claron Wheelers 13:70. Team: Crewe Claron Wheelers 13:70. Team: Crewe Claron Wheelers 2:01:07; 3, J Behm (CT Nevade) 2:02:59. High Wycombe CC (25 miles) 1, C Wettace (Hurwaur Wheelers) 1th 55mm 56ec; 2, A Dobry (Port Tatlot Wheelers) 2:01:07; 3, J Behm (CT Nevade) 2:02:59. High Wycombe CC (25 miles) 1, R Pretible (Wimbley RC) 50min 38sec (course record); 2, P Main (Wernbley RC) 52:51:3, E Addits (Leo RC) 52:22, A Long (Coallie Whinelers) 53:39. Team: Castwille Wheelers) 5:55:5 Team: Barboury Star CC 3:08:12, Wigmore CC (25 miles) 1, D Rendell (Cumeam Paragon) 56:43; 2, A Millard (Westbury Wheelers) 5:55:5 Team: Barboury Star CC 3:56:33 Musselburgh RC (25 miles) 1, D Milar (VC Astar) 5:7mn 04sec, 2, R Johnston Wheelers) 5:7:15; 3, D Henderson (Parwick RT) 5:7:55; 3, D Henderson (Parwick RT) 5:7:55; 3, D Henderson (Parwick RT) 5:7:50; 3, D Henderson (Parwick R

Murray (Stockton Wheelars) 38 52 RCC (15.5 miles); 1, D Willetts (CC Giro) 31mm 19sec 2, G Thomas (Fearn Ambrosa) 31.27, 3, L Rethbone (Terrworth RCC) 31:56. Tearn: Walssil RCC 141:25 Carnoustie CC (10 miles), 1, G Harris (Angus CC) 22:00, 2, G McLeen (Carnoustie CC) 22:45; 3, J Landragon (Deaside Thistic) 23:03.

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Iswarapatham, of Malaysia, scores against Mason, of Britain, in the penalty shoot-out

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TENNIS

PINEHURST; North Carolina: Men'a tournament: Semi-finals: F Meisgen (Br) bf J Stottenberg (Aus) 2-8, 8-0, 6-4 M Willander (Swe) bf J Frana (Arg) 6-3, 6-

HAMBURG: Men's toumament: Semifinals: R Carretero (Sp) bi Y Nalehilikov (Rus) 7-5 6-2 A Corretta (Sp) bi M Rios (Chila) 6-4 6-4 Final. Carretero bi Corretta 2-5, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4

ROME: Women's Italian Open tour-nament: Semi-finals: M Hingis (Switz) bi i Spiriea (Rom) 6-2, 7-5, C Marimaz (Sp) bi Majot (Cro) 6-4, 6-7, 6-2 Final: Marinaz bi Hingis 6-2, 6-3,

BUDAPEST: Women's tournament:

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RUGBY LEAGUE

Semi-finale: R Dragomir (Rom) bt E Wagner (Ger) 6-1, 7-6, M Schnell (Austria) bt R kuti kis (Hun) 6-2, 6-1 Final: Dragomir bt Schnell 7-6, 6-1

LEE-ON-SOLENT: LTA spring satelfite fournament: Merr: Sem-finals: F Dondo (Uru) bit R Nr.: kish (Ger) 6-1 6-1, A Dupuis (Fr) br J Detgado (GB) 7-5 6-0 Women: Final: J Ward (GB) bit J Choudhury (GB) 7-5 6-0

CHESTERFIELD: LTA summer series; Semi-finals; L Crane (herrit) bit J Revill (Notis) 7-5, 6-2; H Catential (Derby-shire) bit J Edgar (Lancs) 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 NATIONAL MEN'S LEAGUE: IIIday 6 Huli YPI 0

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three) Cheimstord: Essex v Gloucesterstrat, Pontypridd: Clarmogan v Somerset,
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FOOTBALL Kick-off 7.30 unless stated "denotes all-ticket match AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division: Charlen v Warford (2.0). ENDS EIGH MIDLAND COMBINATION: Pranter division: Coleshill v West Midland Fire Service; Kings Health v Mer KA SCHOOLS MATCHES: English Schools Full Film Trophy: Final second leg: Walsell v Bury (et Walsell, 7 15)

OTHER SPORT CING: Redcar (2.15); Southwell (AW. 0): Towcester (5.50), Windsor (6.05) 2 30" Towcester (5 50), Windsor (6 05) TENNIS: LTA spring satellite tournament (Cardiff).

TOMORROW CRICKET

BENSON AND HEDGES CUP (one day): Ferner's British Universities v Middlesesc, Derby: Derbyshira v Minor Courties Bristol Glaucestershira v Hampshire Egunton uerby Derbyshira v Milnor Counties. Bristol.
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Briton to meet Tyson or Bowe

Lewis strengthens title hand with disputed decision

FROM SRIKUMAR SEN, BOXING CORRESPONDENT, IN NEW YORK

THE crowd of 17,000 at Madison Square Garden for the ten-round heavyweight bout in the early hours of Saturday did not like the verdict of the three judges. They did not think that Lennox Lewis had beaten Ray Mercer, even on a split decision (95-95, 96-95, 96-94). They thought that Mercer had won clearly, by three or four rounds and they chanted their disapproval.

The New York papers took up the cry on Saturday. Ripped Off and Lucky Lewis" the headlines screamed. Lewis has certainly lost on my card, by two rounds, but when his hand was raised at the end of the bout, it seemed poetic justice in a sport in which manipulation and corruption is considered good business

It was Lewis who had been "ripped off" by boxing politics for the past year - and was still the victim. Mike Tyson would not accept his mandatory challenge because Lewis boxes for HBO and Tyson for Showtime. The two television companies are bitter rivals.

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After a year of litigation, luck was now going Lewis's way at last. The win over Mercer has put him in an extremely strong financial position and has given him confidence that he can take on the best men in the heavyweight division.

He could make money without Tyson. If Tyson decided to drop out of the \$60 million (about £39 million) World Boxing Council heavyweight title boot that would give Tyson \$45 million and Lewis \$15 million, the Briton would meet Riddick Bowe.

Bowe wanted a match with Lewis after seeing him strug-gle with Mercer. "It's been my dream to fight him," Bowe said. "I'd like to fight him in August because it's my birthday in August and I'd give him a birthday whipping." The bout could, indeed, take place at the end of the year. Should Tyson relinquish the title rather than be forced to meet Lewis. Lewis would have to meet Oliver McCall, the No 2 challenger, first, in

Seth Abraham, the head of HBO Sport, said that a threebout deal about to be signed would commit Bowe to a contest with Lewis. Lewis would be Bowe's second oppo-nent. The first would be Andrew Golota, of Poland, in

Referring to the controversial scoring in Lewis's bout with Mercer, Abraham said: "Lewis got a break. Bowe got a break, Rock Newman [Bowe's manager] got a break. Some-times it is better to be lucky than good. If Lewis doesn't get Tyson, we will make Lewis-

"I think Tyson will give up the belt. Tyson will fight Joe Louis before he fights Lennox Lewis. Despite what we saw tonight, Lennox is still a dangerous opponent for Tyson. That's the bottom line."

Panos Eliades, Lewis's financial backer, said: "Lennox-Bowe is a very big fight: bigger



Lewis: lacked real spark

for Lennox than the Tyson fight. Lennox and Bowe would share about \$50 million, \$25 million each. Rock Newman and I are talking, but first we must sort out the trouble with Tyson in court.

If Tyson does not give up the title, he must meet Lewis by September. The longer the wait the better for Lewis. He needs time to improve his defence - the jab to keep Tyson out. Even though Lewis has a good jab, he did not use it against Mercer, who had no trouble out jabbing Lewis, even though he is three inches shorter than Lewis.

Bowe said: "Lewis has got much better under Emanuel Steward, but there's still much for him to learn. He could not out-jab Mercer — when a shorter man out-jabs you. there's something wrong.

However, despite Lewis's failure to dominate the hout. under Steward, he has certainly improved greatly. He has learnt to battle his way out of a corner and deliver short combinations inside. It was breathtaking whenever he cut loose inside against Mercer, punching with speed to the body and head. If Steward can tighten up his defence by stiffening the jab, he would have a good chance of beating Tyson. Ray Mercer put me which is good for my fight with Tyson," Lewis said.

Steward said: "Mercer gave Lewis a harder fight than Tyson would. Mercer is a real tough guy. While Tyson is fighting nobodies like Bruno, who should have been in diapers when he fought Tyson. Lennox is fighting rough, tough guys. He showed how tough he can be and what a good chin he has when he punched it out with Mercer. Other British heavyweights would have collapsed."



Campbell supply perfect parting gift

BY JOHN GOODBODY

AT LEAST one teacher can retire content this summer. For the past 25 years, Campbell College, Belfast, have travelled to London to compete in the schools relay championships organised by Otter

Throughout that time, the enthusiasm of Fred Parkes, the master in charge of swimming since 1964, has never

He has always craved a victory in the Bath Cup. the annual freestyle event, founded in 1910. Third twice and second once, he thought that his squad might win in 1995. They finished second again in a time that would have taken first place in 1994.

Parkes retires in July and last Friday, at Crystal Palace, was his final chance of victory in a competition that attracted 64 entries from independent schools belonging to the Headmasters' Conference. Campbell College have been Irish Schools freestyle champions for the past two years, but it is difficult to judge the strength of schools from the rest of the United Kingdom because there are not enough events to make an accurate

Parkes was worried about Nottingham High School after their showing in the heats of the 4 x 100 metres race. "I thought they were coasting, he said. "You can get fooled by heats" times. In 1977, we did the fastest time in the heats but came third in the final."

He thought that Robert Gordon's College, Aberdeen, the winners last year, had three of their 1995 team back. The problem was, we didn't know how much they had improved and how good their fourth member was," he said.

Parkes and Campbell College need not have worried. As Andy Hunter, a 55.7sec 100metre sprinter came thrashing down the final length, CampIN SCHOOLS

bell College finished five seconds clear of their rivals with Trinity School, Croydon surprisingly second.

The modern trend has been for talented swimmers to train with clubs rather than at school. Campbell have only two squad sessions a week, The rest of the time, team members such as Hunter, Andrew and Dennis Bree, Neil Cameron and James

Hand are with their clubs. Hunter said: "What I don't like about swimming is when the alarm clock goes off at 5.25am four mornings a week for my first session with the Ards club." Fortunately, Ards is based at the Campbell

College pool.
"What I particularly enjoy about swimming is going last on relays," Hunter said. "No one cares that much if you don't win as an individual, but, when it is a relay, everyone is relying on you."

Hunter's father, Andrew,

also coached by Parkes at Campbell College on his way to representing Ireland at the 1972 Olympic Games, said: Fred is an enthusiast, but also a man who likes things done right. He does not permit any sloppiness."

Hunter Sr clocked 54.6sec for the 100 metres freestyle in 1976 and believes that the standard of coaching is particularly responsible for the improvement in times. "We did up to four hours a day in the water." he said. "Youngsters nowadays are not spending

they are spending it more

In the Otter medley relay event, Leeds Grammar School edged out Nottingham High School with a squad of past and present members of the City of Leeds club. They dedicated the success to their former coach, "Pip" Williams, who died last year before she could see the school's first victory in the competition.

In the girls' events, City of London Freeman's School and Epsom College swapped first and second places in the freestyle and medley relays. Jennie Keith, the manager of the Freeman's team, who won the freestyle, said: "I think I was even more excited than the girls. I was skipping about. However, the commitment of the swimmers is quite outstanding. They train so hard at their clubs and they are the ones who wanted to be here."

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YOUR CHANCE TO BE PART OF THE BIGGEST FOOTBALLING EVENT IN BRITAIN SINCE THE 1966 WORLD CUP



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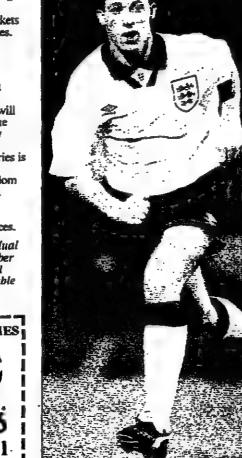
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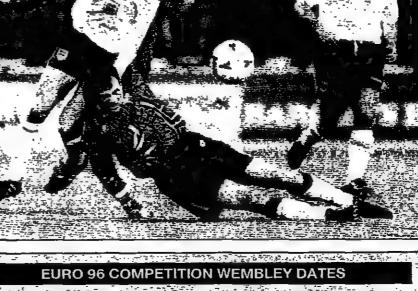
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TUNE IN AND CHOOSE BRITAIN'S GREATEST SPORTS STAR

Tonight, Channel 4's The Greatest gives you another chance in the series to vote for the Greatest British sporting here of them all. And your vote will count in more ways than one, because it could win you a pair of tickets to the Europea football championship or even the top prize of a trip to the Olympic Games in Atlanta with Daley Thompson. The main aim of the 12-part series is to bring some degree of scientific method to the comparisons so that a motor racing driver can be judged against a cricketer, a jockey against a footballer. You probably won't be able to put aside your prejudices completely - we all have our heroes, and our favourite sports - but The Greatest will open your mind to achievements and personalities you may not otherwise have

considered worthy of greatness. The cases for Jackie Stewart, Linford Christie, Bobby Moore, Torvill and Dean, Mary Rand, Ian Botham, Barry John, Nick Faldo, Steve Ovett, Bobby Charlton, Lester Piggott, Steven Redgrave, Kenny Dalglish, Denis Compton, Len Hutton and Sebastian Coe of the 20 shortlisted have been stated. Each week two contenders are examined and their relative merits discussed by the panel of Frances Edmonds, author and broadcaster, Danny Kelly, editor of *Total Sport*, and a guest celebrity (tonight it is Alan Wells). Chalring the debate is Gordon Kennedy. The final show will give the results and declare The Greatest. The Greatest is screened on Channel 4 on Mondays at 8,30pm and repeated on Saturdays at 10am.

TONIGHT'S CONTENDERS



The clause, " Fred Perry, the last British man to win the Wimbledon singles title has been written almost every year since his third successive victory in 1936. It is record that he was longing to see broken, because he regularly attended the Championships as journalist and broadcaster and was a constant supporter of the British players However, none of his successors has sed his rare combination of technical excellence, athleticism and a

lighting spirit. People are still aware of his feats at Wimbledon but what many do not know are his performances in the Davis Cup and the other leading championships Parry was the first player to win all four Grand Slam titles cting eight in all before he turned professional at the age of 27. He inspired Britain to four successive victories in the

He was a natural mover, with a long reach, a superb running forehand and was a genuine all-round sportsman, being world table tennis champion in 1929. However, what made him a chempion was his unyielding determination. The son of a Labour MP, he was disliked by the All-England Club, partly because of his background and partly because he took the game so seriously. Perry was a pioneer of the sport. Although he was pre-eminent among his contemporaries, he played in an era when tennie had not been developed world-wide.

Davis Cup and in his career won 45 of his 52 matches in the



thought that basketball was

Just how advanced this

sport has become in Britain

one of the leading clubs. Bri-

tannia Music City, which is

based in Hackney, east

London. The agility and com-

mitment are impressive. So is

Janette Smith-Dacosta, 30. a

part-time cashier and mother of two, said: "I love the

dynamism of volleyball. It is

an outlet for me away from

home, although my children often come. They love watch-

Many of the women are at least 5ft 10in tall, particularly

the spikers or smashers, who

hammer the ball over the net.

However, Steve Colpus, their

coach, said: "This does not

mean that a smaller player

game. They are often invalu-

able in defensive situations."

ing sister, plays six-a-side vol-

leyball and beach volleyball.

She said: "I think it is more

difficult to play on the beach because it is so hard to run

about on the sand. It was great

entertainment last summer.

We had competitions all

around Britain. Bikinis were

out in the hot weather and we

even had a samba band at

So popular has beach volley-

ball become that sand has

been imported into indoor

arenas for winter competi-

tions. At the Olympics this

summer, a permanent beach volleyball stadium is being

built beside a man-made lake 20 miles outside Atlanta.

Audrey Cooper and Amanda Glover, as No I2 seeds, will

represent Britain in Georgia

as the first national team ever

indoors or out. The tourna-

ment, enlivened by their

bright costumes, shades and

sunblock, will be like some desert island fantasy. The

Times will certainly be there.

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 Fouth Road, West Bridgford,
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Team Racal, consisting of

Tenby, in Wales."

Vanessa Maione, 24, a nurs-

cannot make an impact on the

the team spirit.

DALEY THOMPSON

Daley Thompson was John McEnroe with a sense of humour. Brilliant and boorish, Thompson also raised aughter wherever he went. Someting his achievementa were steined by his controversial behaviour but he justified his way by suggesting that, if well-to-do people thought him offensive, the man on the street enjoyed his pranks. What was never questionable was Thompson's position as the world's finest decethiete. Uniquely, he held, in

the mid-Eighties, the distinction of being Olympic, world, European and Commonwealth champion and world record-holder as well. Twice Olympic champion, he competed in four Olympics and set four world records. He was undefeated between 1978 and 1987.

In 1992 he was selected for a fifth Olympics, without having completed a decathion for four years, a mark of his stature. But he could not achieve the qualifying mark and did not go. He retired from athletics and, just six months later, at 34, signed as a works racing driver for Peugeot. A feroclous season, at 37, Thompson was in Mansfield Town's first-team squad. As his success coincided with the golden age of British middle-distance running, he credited Coe, Ovett and Cram, magnanimously, for drawing the public into his sport, and so to him. I was doing an event that no one had ever heard of, so I was seriously in the back of nowhere," he said. But he was never going to be a nowhere man.

WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO

You will be asked to score each sports personality in each of five categories. Each category carries a maximum of 20 points, so the total scores you give are out of a maximum of 100. The categories are:

Achievement - for honours won and overall record Dominance - for quality of opposition, longevity and domination of peers

Style - for performance, technique, sportsmanship and image Fortitude - for coping with pressure, will to win, self control. and sporting intelligence

impact - charisma and transcendence



THE PRIZES Each week, Channel 4 and The Times will each be giving away a pair of tickets to the European tootball championship, courtesy of Carlsberg, the official beer of Euro 96, to the person who manages to match the average scores for both of that week's

profiled sports personalities. In the event of a tie, a draw will take place. Ten runners up will each win a signed copy of Daley Thompson's book accompanying the series, The Greatest (Boxtree, £14.99).

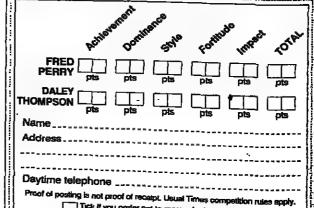
At the end of the series, all the weekly winners will have the chance to win the greatest prize of all - a trip to the Olympics with Daley Thompson.

HOW TO REGISTER YOUR VOTE

By telephone: You can call The Greatest phoneline, on 0891 66 55 44 Lines are open from 9pm until midnight tomorrow and from

10am on Saturday, when the show is repeated, until midnight on Sunday. Calls cost 39p cheap rate, 49p at other times.

By post: complete The Times entry form and send it to The Greatest Week 9, PO Box 1413, London N1 8HY to errive by noon on Friday.



Tick if you prefer not to receive further information from Channel 4 or The Times

John Goodbody reports on the growing popularity of volleyball

Britannia Music City volleyball team, which is based in Hackney, east London: its spirit and dynamism and the players' agility are very impressive

n the spectacular kaleipic Games this summer. one event, beach volleyball. will be making a new impact on the Games. For the first time, it has been included in the programme, and the glamour of the sport is likely to excite billions of television viewers around the world.

This will also benefit its older brother, indoor volleyball, which has been part of the Games since 1964 and has more than 170 countries as members of the world governing body.

Anyone who has seen volleyball cannot fail to be im-pressed by its skill and

David Miller, my colleague, who has probably seen a greater variety of international sport over the past 15 years

A game to net new fans worldwide metres, which is only slightly

than any other journalist, wrote of the 1989 World Volleyball Cup in Japan that "it is tactically perhaps the most sophisticated of all team

Among the delights of voileyball are that it can be played indoors or out, on a variety of surfaces and by both sexes or in mixed teams. Recreational games can also be held in smaller areas than the regulation 18 metres by 9

smaller than a tennis court. Many of Great Britain's firefighters use their cramped yards for volleybali games retween call-outs.

Like so many sports, the popularity of volleyball in Britain does not reflect its international standing. Go to Brazil, where there are said to be more volleyball players than footballers. In Rio de Janeiro, there are 350 courts

By Raymond Keene

CHESS CORRESPONDENT

The game that cost Garry

Kasparov first prize in the Moscow speed chess event at

the end of last month showed

his overweening self confi-

dence to disadvantage. In an equal position, Kasparov avoided a draw by repetition,

but the move that he chose -

27 Qb4 — was a terrible mistake that allowed Black a

dangerous passed pawn.

White: Garry Kasparov

Moscow speed chess

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Black: Vladimir Kramnik

Queen's Gambit Declined

Kasparov stumbles

on Copacabana Beach. Mil-lions of people around the world have found the immense satisfaction of leaping up to the net, 2.43 metres above the ground (2.24 metres for women/, then smashing the ball downwards so that a member of the opposing team cannot return it before it touched the ground.

Orthodox volleyball is six-aside: beach volleyball two-aside. If you are good at one,

KEENE on CHESS

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Ho7-I Ho37 Ke3 h5 Rxx(S) Be4 Rd6 Rd7+

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section on Saturday.

Diagram of final position

In Winning Move on Friday,

you are automatically good at the other. It is as close in technical and physical demands as cross country and road running: players are only slightly more suited to one or other of them.

Bruce Hertogs, who has at Maidstone, in Kent. said: game, it is also tremendously be a contact sport, but it is still

recently started an indoor club "Though volleyball is a simple involving mentally. It may not

FOR



a powerful game. It requires particular skills and you have to apply those skills from un-

"You need flexibility, the ability to dive and stretch

They may not be so dominant

usual positions.

quickly and, though volleyball is not as stamina-intensive as football, you have to be in good shape. There is certainly an athletic appeal about the sport. "Girls can play with guys.

aerially, but they can be very solid and 'dig' the ball back. Everyone has to stay involved. You cannot hide."

The sport was invented in 1859 in the United States by a director of physical recreation

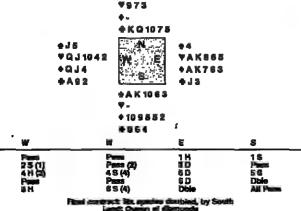
at a YMCA in Massachusetts. He wanted to provide some form of exercise for large groups of businessmen and he



SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent Most deals on which each side can make a large number of tricks involve a "double fit" — that is, each side has a fit in two suits. This is a recent example, from the high-stake game at TGR's. Dealer West North-South game Rubber bridge

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(i) Having passed, West bid Two Spades to show a maximum raise in hearts. The old idea that this shows spade control has gone. (2) On the whole, I do not think that this sort of trap pass works. Better is to bid Three Clubs, to indicate the lead against a high heart contract. (3) Over Three Diamonds, West is worth a cue-bid of Four Clubs. This expresses the fact that his hand is very suitable for play

in hearts when his partner has a diamond suit. (4) Having declined the invitation to describe his hand earlier, North more or less had to bid Four Spades over Four Hearts, and Six Spades over

Six Hearts.
Against Six Hearts, South would have led a top spade. North should play the queen.

WORD-WATCHING

HOOKER'S GREEN a. Shepherd's Bush

 b. Green watercolour c. A trout fly MAKORE

a. Ebony inlay c. A redwood tree

By Philip Howard

a. Japanese male pride b. A jungle song-bird c. The blue shark MAKKOLI a. Wheat been

With the jack being in dum-

my, this is a clear suit prefer-

ence signal. Now a diamond

ruff will beat the slam.
West was found wanting in

the play in Six Spades. Declar-

er ruffed the diamond lead

and drew trumps in two

rounds. He then led a club

towards the dummy, and West rose with the ace. Thus Six

Spades made easily. West should have ducked the club

- holding five hearts, he could

see that a heart would not

stand up. After the king holds,

declarer returns to hand with

a heart ruff, and plays another club. If West plays low again,

South may go wrong by finessing the jack.

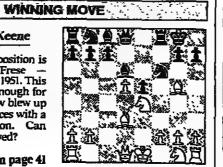
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bridge Monday to Friday in

section on Saturday.

c. Sea broccoli Answers on page 41 By Raymond Keene

Black to play. This position is from the game Frese — Schroder, Marburg, 1951. This position looks safe enough for White, but Black now blew up his opponent's defences with a brilliant combination. Can you see what he played?



David Bronstein challenged for the world championship ☐ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend

A game in progress: strategies are sophisticated

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Wife takes tenancy subject to order

essential to the issue the court had

to decide, although there were

powerful arguments to the con-

trary which might have to be

considered in a case where the

point arose for direct

Miss Belson submitted that the

provisions of Schedule 1 repre-

sented a comprehensive statutory code which conferred, in relation to

a leasehold matrimonial home.

rights upon the snouses not only as

between each other but also in

respect of third parties such as

Thus construed, she submitted.

the deeming provision of para-

graph 3(1) conferred upon the

occupying spouse de novo all the rights of a tenant without regard to

arty orders that may have been

obtained against the original ten-

ant spouse. On that basis the judge

was wrong to have treated the possession order of 1990 as having

any effect upon the wife's deemed

If that was wrong, she submit-ted, the only condition relevant was the condition as to payment of rent; the condition as to payment of

arrears became nugatory, being

replaced by the statutory dis-

cretion conferred on the court by

then, in the language of the

would be unjustly enriched at the

Equity had no role to play in the

instant case. The trustee had to bring his claim at common law. If

he had to trace his money he had to

fall back on common law tracing

rules.He claimed the money

because it belonged to him at law

or represented profits made by the use of money which belonged to

In the circumstances the trustee

could trace his money and could

successfully assert his entitlement to that part of the money the

money in the defendant's account

at Raphaels high represented the

LORD JUSTICE NOURSE.

agreeing, said that the decision

the House of Lords in Lipkin

[1991] 2 AC 548) in that it held that

the action for money had and received entitled the legal owner to

trace his property into its product.

not only in the sense of property for

which it was exchanged, but also

in the sense of property represent-ing the original and the profit

made by the defendant's use of it.

Justification for such an exten-sion was to be found in the words of Lord Mansfield in his seminal

udgment in Clarke v Shee and

Johnson ((1774) 1 Cowp 197, 199)

where he said of the action for

money had and received: "This is a

liberal action in the nature of a bill

in equity and if under the circum

stances of the case it appears that

the defendant cannot in conscience

retain what is the subject matter of

it, the plaintiff may well support

The defendant could not, in

conscience, retain the profit any more than the original £11,700. She

could not, by making a profit through the use of money to which

profits made by the use of it.

expense of the trustee.

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consideration.

Murch Commissioners for England v Al-Emarah and Before Lard Justice Simon Brown and Lord Justice Waite

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[Judgment May 8] A wife who was deemed to be a statutory tenant of a dwelling house in the place of her husband took the tenancy subject to the perms of suspension of a preeasing possession order against the husband, including the requirement to pay arrears of rent.

Where the wife subsequently failed to meet the terms of the order, the landlord was not ennitled to enforce the pre-existing possession order against her, but was obliged to bring fresh proceedings for possession against the wife under section 98 of the Rent Act 1977, and the court would have to consider afresh whether it would he reasonable and upon what serms to grant such an order.

The Court of Appeal so held, dismissing an appeal by the wife, Farial Abdullah Parvin, against Mr Justice Connell's order of May 3, 1995, whereby, on the wife's application for an order under paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 1 to the Matrimonial Homes Act 1983, he

(i) that the wife be deemed to be the sole tenant of 157 Quadrangle Tower. Cambridge Square, London W2, under the statutory Sancy between her former hus-band, Sami Salim Tahir Al-Emarah, and the landlords, the Church Commissioners for

England;
(ii) that the husband should cease to be entitled to occupy the

(iii) that the wife's statutory tenancy should be subject to the terms of the suspended possession order made against the husband on August 23, 1990 at Bloomsbury County Court to pay rent as it fell due and to pay arrears of rent.

There was no appeal or cross-

Trustee of the Property of F.

C. Jones and Sons (a Firm) v

Before Lord Justice Nourse, Lord

Justice Beldam and Lord Justice

A person in possession of money

the legal title to which had passed

to a trustee in bankruptcy was not

entitled to retain the proceeds of

profitably investing it. At common law the trustee in bankruptcy

his claim to them in an action for

upholding, but for different rea-

sons, the judgment of Judge Cherryman, QC, sitting as a

deputy judge of the Chancery Division in Cardiff District Reg-

that moneys in court be declared to

be the property of the trustee in bankruptcy of the property of F. C.

Jones and Sons and be paid out to

Mr James K. Quirke for the

LORD JUSTICE MILLETT said

that in 1984 the partners of F. C.

Jones and Sons, potato growers, had committed an act of bank-

adjudicated bankrupt.

ruptcy and in due course had been

After the act of bankruptcy but

defendant; Mr Stephen Davies for the trustee in bankruptcy.

The Court of Appeal so held

could trace those profits and assi

dismissing an appeal by the defendant. Mrs Anne Jones, and

money had and received.

Judgment April 25

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landlords' application for leave to enforce against the wife the suspossession order previously obtained against the

Paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 to the 1983 Act provides:

"(I) Where the spouse is entitled to occupy the dwelling house by virtue of a statutory tenancy within the meaning of the Rent Act 1977. the court may by order direct that, as from such date as may be specified in the order, that spouse shall cease to be entitled to occupy the dwelling house and that the other spouse shall be deemed to be the tenant or, as the case may be, tenancy."

Miss June Belson for the wife; Mr Sebastian Reid for the landlords; the husband did not appear and was not represented.

LORD JUSTICE WAITE said that the husband was sole tenant of the matrimonial home under a statutory tenancy. After the breakdown of the marriage he lived elsewhere and the wife and three children remained in occupation. He fell into arrears both with the rent payable to the landlords and the maintenance he was ordered by the court to pay to the

The landlords brought proceedings for possession under the 1977 Act on the ground of non-payment of rent. The upshot was a pos-session order against the husband suspended upon terms that he pay EU.000 a month off the arrears.

in 1991 housing benefit was granted to the wife and regular payments had been made to the adlords of the whole of the rent due except for between £8 and £10 a week. The wife obtained a decree nisi of divorce in 1992 and in 1993 the husband was adjudicated bankrupt

It was common ground between

Trustee in bankruptcy can

trace investment profits

before the adjudication the defen-

dant, the wife of one of the

£11,700 from a joint bank account

in the names of her husband and

The defendant's subsequent

dealing in potato futures proved

highly profitable and she received

cheques totalling £50,760 from the

commodity brokers and paid them

into an account she had onened at

The Official Receiver informed

money, the defendant immediately

demanded the release of it, Rapha-

els interpleaded and an order was

made on the interpleader sum-

mons that the money be paid into

The defendant conceded that the

trustee's claim in relation to the

original E11,700 was bound to

not recover the profits made from

The judge thought that the defendant had received the money

in a fiduciary capacity and was a

erred.Plainly the defendant had

not received the E11,700 in a

fiduciary capacity. She was not a

constructive trustee. She had no

legal title to the money, at law or in

equity, but was merely in pos-session of it.

by the use of the trustee's money.

If she retained the profit made

trustee. He had

her use of that money.

R. Raphael and Sons plc.

one of his partners.

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consider whether or not liabilities ancy ended with the commenceoutstanding at the date of the order ment of the possession should be the liability of both proceedings; and that, although he spouses jointly and severally. . no longer occupied the matri-

If the merits of the case were the monial home, he thereupon besole matter to be considered there came the sole statutory tenant he would be powerful force in Miss virtue of section 1(6) of the 1983 Act. Belson's submissions but the matwhich deemed the wife's occupater had to be approached as one of pure statutory interpretation.

Schedule 1 to the 1983 Act was The answer lay in the concludexpressed, by paragraph i, to ing words of paragraph 3(1). They apply to all cases where one spouse wided that the claimant spouse entitled, alone or with should be entitled to be deemed the another, to occupy a dwelling house under the termsecure tenant "under that statutory tenancy", that is, the tenancy referred to at the outset of the subparagraph as being the tenappeal his Lordship was prepared ancy by virtue of which the to assume that that concession was respondent spouse was entitled to

occupy the dwelling house. That precluded any possibility of regarding the claimant spouse as being entitled to a new form of tenancy differing in nature from that afforded to the respondent spouse by the original statutory

The husband's tenure under his statutory tenancy was rendered precarious by the possession order. That was an inherent feature of his tenancy.

If the wife was to become tenant in his place under that same tenancy, it was inevitable that her tenure too would be subject to the identical infirmity.

That conclusion was supported not only by the language of the statute but also by general principles of construction favouring a construction of legislation which avoided interference with the rights of third parties.

Once it was accepted that the wife's new tenancy was subject to the terms on which the possession order was suspended, both con-ditions applied. Paragraph 5 of Schedule I did not provide the sole and exclusive means by which a liability for outstanding liabilities such as arrears of rent might be

even if the wife's tenancy was subject as part of its terms to both conditions of suspension of the session order against the husband, there had never been a possession order directed against the wife, even though she was joined as a party to the 1990

possession proceedings. It followed, she submitted, that if there were to be a breach of either condition, which seemed inevitable having regard to the wile's not issue a writ of possession under that order, but would have to start independent possession proceedings against her under section 98 of the 1977 Act. Mr Reid submitted that the wife

as not only bound, as a result of their importation into her statutory tenancy, by the conditions on which the possession order was suspended, but was also subject to the terms of the possession order itself, with the result that her rights were limited to resisting execution under section 100 of the 1977 Act. On that aspect Miss Belson's submission was plainly correct. It accorded with observations of

Lord Evershed Master of the Rolls, and Lord Justice Romer in Sherrin v Brand (1950) 1 QB 403, 420 and 431) and with the judge's views in the present case. Thus the possession order of August 23, 1990, as opposed to the

conditions of its suspension, was not enforceable against the wife. While agreeing with Mr Justice Connell's conclusion, his Lordship preferred to base that result on the general grounds of statutory construction referred to above rather than that favoured by the judge of treating transfers under Schedule I as analogous with the principles applying to devolution sion on death.

Lord Justice Simon Brown agreed.

Solicitors: Blakeney's; Radcliffes

Deciding whether fresh asylum claim was made

Regina v Secretary of State for the Home Department, Ex parte Ravichandran Regina v Secretary of State for the Home Department, Ex parte Sandralingham

Before Mr Justice Dyson Dudgment April 191

Where the Home Secretary decided that a fresh claim for asylum had not been made, that decision did not trigger a right of appeal under section 8 of the Asylum and Immigration Appeals Act 1993. Whether a fresh claim for asylum had been made was to be decided by the secretary of state whose ision was challengeable on

public law grounds. Mr Justice Ovson so stated in a dgment in the (Bench Division when allowing applications by Senathirajar Cavichandran Sandralingham for judicial review of rejections by the secretary of te on February 15, 1996 of their applications for leave to enter the United Kingdom as not constitut ing fresh claims for asytum.

Mr Ian Lewis for the applicants: Mr Robert Jay for the secretary of

MR JUSTICE DYSON accepted that the solution to the question of a right to appeal came in para-graph 2 of Schedule 2 to the 1993 Act. If a fresh claim for asylum had en made and was refused, it had to be accompanied by a refusal of leave to enter. That would trigger a right of appeal under section 8. If a fresh claim had not been

made, then paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 precluded any appeal under it was insufficient for an ap-

plicant to circumvent that pro-vision simply asserting that a claim was a fresh claim. It must be before a right of appeal could be

In R v Secretary of State for the

Onibiyo (The Times April 2, 1996) it was clear that the Master of the Rolls was saying that the decision of the secretary of state as to whether a claim was a fresh claim or not stood until and unless it was corrected on a review by the court.

So long as that decision stood, it had been determined that the applicant had not made a fresh claim for asylum and paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 was a bar to an

There was no binding authority on the issue of precedent fact However, his Lordship adopted the tentative answer put forward in Exparte Onibiyo but which was not determinative of the appeal in that case: namely that the question and the immigration appellate authorities whose determinations were suscentible to challenge only Wednesbury grounds of

easonableness ([1948] 1 KB 223). The test of what constituted m should not be taken to mean that there must necessarily be a change in the nature of the persecution said to be feared: see Ex parte Onibivo.

fresh claim if it was supported by convincing fresh evidence of the same persecution said to be feared as was alleged in support of the earlier claim. In the present case the secretary of state had applied the wrong test. It was important that the sec-

resary of state should conscientiously apply the test formulated in Er parte Onihipo.

That involved drawing a careful

distinction between deciding a new claim on its merits, and deciding. whether a new claim was sufficiently different from an earlier claim to admit of a realistic prospect that it could succeed,

Solicitors: M. K. Sri & Co. Harrow: Treasury Solicitor.

Court can decide unmet demand for taxis

Kelly and Another v Wirral heard about the other applicants. Metropolitan Borough Corentil

Before Lord Justice Staughton, Lord Justice Auld and Lord Justice Aldous

[Judgment May 3] On an appeal against a local authority's refusal to grant a hadoney carriage vehicle boence, a crown court which concluded that there was significant unmet demand in the area for taxis could determine the extent of that de-mand and how it was to be matched with all the current outstanding applications, or remit the matter to the local authority for

Where a local authority failed to determine an application for a hackney carriage vehicle licence, an appeal against withholding a licence was available under section 7(1)(b) of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1907.

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment dismissing ap-peals by William Arwell Kelly and Derek Smith against decisions of Mr Justice Laws in the Oucen's th Division on March 17, 1995 that Liverpool Crown Court was wrong to order Wirral Metropolitan Borough Council to issue 10 taxi licences to Mr Kelly and one

Mr Peter Birts, QC and Mr John Pugh for the appellants: Mr Bill Braithwaite, QC and Mr William F. Waldron for the council.

LORD JUSTICE AULD said that the appeals concerned the manner in which a local authority responsible for the issue of hack-ncy carriage vehicle licences, and a crown court on appeal from its decision, should deal with an application for a licence or licences here it was of the view that there was significant unmet demand in the local authority's area for the service of taxis.

Section 37 of the Town Police Clauses Act 1847 and section 16 of the Transport Act 1985 together provided that a district council could refuse to grant licences for the purpose of limiting the num-bers of licensed taxis if, but only if, it was satisfied that there was no significant unmet demand in the area for the services of taxis. Kelly application

The council refused Mr Kelly's application for 10 taxi licences on ground that there was no evidence of any significant unmer demand for taxi services within its

On Mr Kelly's appeal to the crown court the council maintained that there was no significant unmet demand, but that, if there was, it had many other applicants The crown court heard evidence that sprisfied it that there was a significant unmet demand. It also Apparently without considering the extent of the unmet demand or the possible relevance of those other applicants to its decision, it ordered the council to issue 10

Mr Justice Laws had allowed the council's appeal, ruling that the crown court should not have ordered the issue of any licences to Mr Kelly but should have remitted the matter back to the council for its consideration in the light of the crown count's conclusion on

The issue was how a local authority: or the crown court exercising its powers under section on an appeal by way of rehearing, should approach its task if it was of the view that there was significant ummet demand.

Should each, without more, grant the application before it, or should it consider also the extent of the demand, how many additi licences were necessary to satisfy it, and then determine the application in accordance with a system of allocation fair to the applicant and all other current applicants.

Mr Kelly submitted that while some system of allocation might be necessary for local authorities to enable them efficiently and fairly to deal with all applications for taxi licences, the exercise of the licensing function in the crown court

He submitted that the wording of section 16 of the 1985 Act, its statutory purpose of the removal of restraints, which called for speedy decisions, and the practical limitations as to what the court could do, required it to grant the licence unless it was satisfied that there was no significant unmet demand. In his Lordship's judgment, it

was a necessary part of the licensing function that the licensing authority, whether a local authority or the crown court on appeal from it, or a combination of the two of them, applied in relation was fair to all applicants.

That could only be done in any particular application where a local authority maintained that there was no significant unmer demand, and where there was such demand, by a determination of its extent and how it was to be matched with all the current competing applications, including that of the particular applicant.

It followed that a further process of inquiry had to take place before a decision could be made whether

There was nothing in section 16 of the 1985 Act, in its requirement that a licensing authority had to grant a licence if it was not satisfied that there was no signifi cant unmet demand, to prevent the authority, whether council or court, from examining in the context of an individual application the general state of unmer demand by reference to all outstanding applications.

A court, like a local authority might be faced with a number of applications or appeals; in such a circumstance, the court could not sensibly or properly consider each application in isolation.

Smith spoliculon Mr Smith applied to the council for a taxi licence in 1986, 1991 and again in 1993. The council informed him that it would take no action on his applications until after the High Court's ruling in Mr

Kelly's case. The crown court held that the council's decision to withhold a council's decision to withhold a licence by not making a decision on any of his applications was a "withholding" of a licence against which a right of appeal was provided by section 7(1)(b) of the Public Health Acts Amendment

Act 1907. Mr Justice Laws held that "withholding" in section 7(1)(b) meant more than a failure to deal with an application; it meant

refusal of a licence. He, therefore, held that Mr Smith had had no right of appeal to the crown court.

In reaching that conclusion he was largely influenced by the difficulty he saw in identifying a date of withholding. If it means failure to make a decision, for the purpose of determining the 21-day period within which an appeal had

to be lodged. In his Lordship's judgment, the words and intention of section 7 were plain. In the context of licensing, section 7(I)(a) provided a right of appeal where a local authority had made a determination whether to grant or refuse a licence, and section 7(1)(b) provided the same right where a local authority, by its failure to make a determination, withheld a licence.

That interpretation might pose difficulties in determining the date of withholding for the purpose of fixing that start of the appeal period, for example, where the local authority had no established cycle of licensing meetings.

But the crown court would need to consider the particular circumstances of each case, bearing in a form of continuing inaction and that it might not be appropriate to adopt an overly rigorous attitude to the time limit for appealing in such a case.

However, for the reasons given on Mr Kelly's appeal, Mr Smith's the council for its consideration in the light of the crown court's

Lord Justice Staughton gave a Justice Aldous agreed. Solicitors: Silverbeck Rymer.

Liverpool: Mr P. G. Manson,

Belgium not a safe third country for refugees

Regina v Special Adjudicator, Ex parie Turus and associated applications It was not proved that Belgium was a safe third country to which

to return asylum seekers. Mr Justice Hidden so held on April 19 in granting the applica-tions of Mehmet Turus, Adem Bostem, Awat Ammen, Adam Folly-Noisron and Selcuk Ururgul for certiorari to quash the decisions by immigration special adjudicators that their asylum appeals should be refused as they could each be returned to Belgium a country through which they had travelled before entering the UK, without contravening the Convention and Protocol relating to the

Status of Refugees 1951 (Crnd 9171) and 1967 (Crnd 3906). HIS LORDSHIP said that articles 50 and 52 of the Belgian Law of December 15, 1980 provided that in certain circumstances an asylum seeker had to declare himself to be a refugee in the eight working days following his arrival.

in Kwiss, a decision of the Belgian Conseil d'Etat of March 8,

illegally, travelled to the United Belgium on third-country grounds. The court found that his dgian application was already time barred and that his case for asylum in Belgium was not of

in the five cases before his Lordship there was abundant evidence before the adjudicators to

1995, an appellant entered Belgium Belgium for returned asylum seek-

Correction

In Capital and Counties plc and Another v Hampshire County Council (The Times April 26) Barlow Lyde & Gilbert represented Digital Equipment Co Ltd.

she had no title, acquire some Also available from good Bookshops better title to the profit. The Times Atlas of the World Lord Justice Beldam gave a despite the rejection of the earlier determined to be a fresh claim concurring judgment. Solicitors: Thursfields, Kidderminster: Eversheds, Cardiff.

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Akinbolu v Hackney London Borough Council Before Lord Justice Butler-Sloss. Lord Justice Ward and Mr Justice

May [Judgment April 23] el2A secure tenancy of a council house granted to a person whom the local authority had not realised

was an overstayer and thus an illegal immigrant was not invalid and the local authority had no right to evict him summarily. The Court of Appeal so held in allowing an appeal by the applicant, Mr Akinbolu, against the dismissal by Judge Medawar. QC. in Shoreditch County Court of his application for an injunction against Hackney London Borough Council and granting a declaration

Section SI of the Housing Act 1985 provides: The tenant condition is that the tenant is an individual and occupies the dwelling-house as his only or principal

that the tenancy agreement was

Ground 5 of Schedule 2 to the Act, by which the landlord was entitled to gain possession provides: "The tenant is the person ... to whom the tenancy was granted and the landlord was induced to grant the tenancy by a false statement made knowingly or recklessly by the tenant."

OC and Mr David Dabbs for LORD JUSTICE BUTLER-SLOSS, giving the judgment of the court, said that the applicant was Nigerian born and had come to the.

United Kingdom at the age of 10 to

attend school. He was given lim-

Mr James Goudre. QC, for the

applicant: Mr Richard Gordon.

ited leave to remain and extensions of leave to remain, the latest of which expired over a year before the tenancy agreement was signed. He failed to apply for a further entension, because, he said, of a hip injury. He was not refused an emension, he did not apply and

became an overstayer and thereby mmitted an offence under sec tion 24(1)(b)(i) of the Immigration Act 1971. He was arrested by police and taken into custody as an overstayer but after a few days he was gi bail and on returning to the flat he

found that the housing authority

had changed the locks to the flat and that he was denied entry. The local authority's main submission related to the words of the renant condition itself. He argued that there was to be added to the tenant condition in section 81 the word "lawfully" in front of "occupies". Lawful occupation was to be terpreted as not only lawfully occupying the property but also lawfully resident within the

The court agreed with the principles enunciated in R v Hillingdon London Borough Council, Ex parte Streeting (1980) 1 WLR 1425) and R v Secretary of State for the Environment, Ex parte Tower Hamlets LBC (1993) QB 632) but they did not apply to the facts of the instant appeal.

The duty imposed on a housing thority in Part III of the 1985 Act equired it to provide accommodation for the homeless which might or might not be by way of tenancy. which was to be contrasted with authority in Part II to grant a

Council wrong to evict overstayer The hypothesis upon which the principles set out in Ex part Streeting and Ex parte Tower would be an application made to the housing authority to provide accommodation which would be

> If, however, on an application under Part III the housing authority granted a tenancy under Part II which was a secure tenancy, it would be able to obtain possession under one of the grounds under Schedule 2 or other grounds unconnected with immigration status but the tenant would not fail to comply with the tenant condition in section 81 by

refused on the ground of unlawful

virtue of his unlawful residence. The public policy which did not require housing authorities to house those who entered the country unlawfully did not extend to deny those whom they had in fact housed such statutory protection as derived from whatever agreement had been entered into. In so far as an application was

made by an illegal overstayer for a tenancy of local authority accommodation, the housing authority had the remedy in its own hands in the management of its housing list and in the questions in the application form to be filled in by a prospective tenant together with

If the right questions were

asked, in the vast majority of cases the immigration situation would be identified if not its final resolution. The housing authority was free to make its own inquiries. If false answers were given, ground 5 of Schedule 2 would apply and it would be a ground for possession of the property. There

would not be many cases were nothing was asked by the landlord nor answered by the tenant. In the present case, the immigration status of the applicant might

well have caused the housing authority, with knowledge of the facts, not to offer him a tenancy. In any event if the immigration authorities decided to deport him. that decision would in itself resolve the issue. In a case where a housing authority granted a tenancy in ignorance of the true facts about status but was not misled by the

tenant, public policy did not re-

quire that the tenant be evicted

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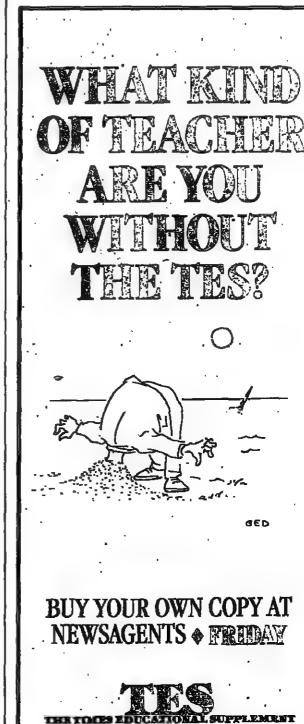
under a lawful tenancy granted to him. The applicant ought not to have been summarily evicted and was entitled to be reinstated. However, the court felt bound to express a view as to the circumstances in which the unlawful

The Protection Against Eviction Act 1977, as amended by the Housing Act 1988, was passed in order to mevent the sort of action taken by the housing authority in this case. However one might sympathise

eviction took place.

with a housing authority in the front line of dealing with a large volume of immigrants with inadequate housing accommodation available for those already within the borough, to change the locks on a flat when the tenant was arrested without waiting to see the immediate outcome of the immigration proceedings was to act unduly

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are especially eye-catching. The growth in student numbers over the past decade has meant that fewer applicants are interviewed and the many who match academic criteria will be sifted on their teachers' comments and the words in their own self portrait. Jess Enderby, of Ucas, says

tion and organisational skills

the personal statement can be typed or hand-written, as long as it is clearly legible."Quality rather than quantity is what is fill the entire space. If you start to pad it out with superficial information, it becomes very noticeable," he says.

"Candidates need to include their motivation for wanting to study their chosen subject and what they intend to do with the qualification." he adds.

They should say what they are doing at school, or elsewhere, in support of their subject interest and their aspirations, as well as any positions of responsibility, or any kind of project or achievement of which they are particularly

Enderby says: "If a candidate is not going to be interviewed, the personal statement is all the tutor has from them."

In many cases, if a candidate is invited to an interview they are very close to an offer of a place. Martin Godfrey. try department at Southampton University, says: The most important thing is to show you have got an enthusi-asm for the subject and can give specific examples of things you have found inter-esting. Try not to look out of

the window the whole time." Dr Godfrey adds: "Your interest can be shown in a quiet way if it matches your character. You do not have to rabbit on for ages. We do not expect people to have their whole careers mapped out but we would look for evidence that applications are well-

researched." Dr Godfrey does not expect very formal dress but nothing too outrageous either. "I do not want 100 people who are clones of one another. People should show the personality

Almost all candidates being considered by Cambridge are interviewed. Paul Hartle, admissions tutor at St Catharine's, gives one golden tip: tell the truth. "We interviewed someone for modern languages who expressed a keen interest in French politics on her form. This was the time of the French elections but not only did she not know who the candidates were but she did not know whether Mitterrand was on the Left or Right. I would not have minded had she not expressed such a strong interest."

1 om Hynes, an admissions tutor at St John's College, says: "These interviews have to be conversations but some people are frightened to say anything. Some of the people who interview best are those whose travel arrangements have gone wrong. They have been so keen to get here there was

not time to get nervous."

He adds: "Whether it is sport or drama, there has to be something other than study. But you want to see it under control; there should not be hundreds of things, none of

which are done very well."

On the academic side, since ability is taken as read, Cambridge tutors look for potential to cope with the course. Appli-cants are likely to be asked questions which require the A-level knowledge to be app lied in an unusual scenario.

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THE TIMES

Getting ahead of the field

n theory, it should be easier to win a higher education place this year, as fewer candidates chase roughly the same number of vacancies. But try telling that to admissions tutors in Britain's top universi-

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Few expect there to be any let-up in the pressure for entry to the most popular courses either this year or next. Some degrees will have ten or even 20 students applying for each

Come September, either two A-level passes or success on vocational courses will secure a degree place somewhere. With 1.5 per cent fewer applications than at this time last year, it should be possible to cater for all those applicants who are prepared to battle through the clearing process if they miss their favoured option. But many people will be disappointed with their final destination.

Prospective students and employers are becoming more discriminating about degrees. Many firms now concentrate on a limited range of universities, rather than joining the national "milk round" of inter-viewing, and students are adapting accordingly.

When the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service reduced the number of choices available to applicants last year, the result was a rush for the "redbrick" universities. Although the summer clearing system will redistribute students around the sector, their initial choices showed that the educational market was hav-

ing its effect.
The old claim that all degrees are of equal quality and value is seldom heard today. despite the standardisation of university titles. The divisions have shown up as the various types of university have banded together in separate groups and adopted differing atti-tudes to the charging of fees. Although pockets of excel-

lence are to be found throughout the higher education system, knowing where an John O'Leary

introduces a five-day guide

to degree entry

institution stands in the new order is an invaluable starting

point in the search for a place. Universities publish a wealth of information about themselves, but comparisons and independent judgment are harder to find. Over the next five days, The Good University Guide will

attempt to fill some of the gaps. As well as publishing the latest league table of universities. The Times will identify the top departments in more than a dozen subjects, and offer advice on how to find a suitable course. For the first time, the main

ranking will take account of the official assessments of teaching quality that have been carried out for the higher education funding councils. Another innovation will be the use of data supplied by the Higher Education Statistics Agency. Both changes should help to ensure the accuracy of Friday's table.

As in previous years, the guide will bring together the key indicators and make them accessible to readers who might not know of their existence. The information and advice should help prospective students to narrow the field and lead on to more detailed inquiries.

Tomorrow we focus on student life and examine what makes Britain's favourite study centres. Wednesday's guide concentrates on the quality debate in higher education, while on Thursday we look at the prospects for universities and their graduates. A more detailed version of The Good University Guide

will be published in paperback later in the month. This year could be the calm before the storm in higher education, with intakes frozen an election imminent and the biggest inquiry into the subject for 30 years about to begin. Even the applications process is likely to change significantly in the next few years.

Those competing for places this autumn will already be well aware that competition remains fierce in popular ar-eas, despite the downturn in applications that has been predicted for years. Universities have been prevented from expanding undergraduate opportunities as they would have wished, so a modest drop in the number of applicants still

does not spell easy access.

There is little reason to expect dramatic change next vear. Sixth-formers and mature applicants are in the process of making choices for 1997 and, for all the attention given to student poverty and graduate unemployment. there is no indication of a collapse in demand for higher

Some branches of engineering are suffering another downturn in applications, but demand for medicine, dentistry, psychology and drama is buoyant. In general, arts and social science subjects continue to be the most popular.

ven graduates from prestigious universities now find that a degree no longer guarantees immediate employment, but their career prospects remain much brighter than that of school leavers. A recent upturn in the graduate employment market should bring further encourment to those still wavering about whether to embark on a degree course.

Admissions tutors expect the applications system to settle down this year, as schools are more confident about the advice they can give sixth-formers. With no prospert of additional places in 1997, there would appear to be little point in delaying an application in the hope of



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Start early, stay flexible and read the instructions

Central system aims to smooth admissions

The official deadline for applying to start a de-gree course this aupassed almost five months ago. But inquiries are still flowing into the Universi-ties and Colleges Admissions Service (Ucas). So flexible has the system

become that in some subjects universities take students right up to the start of the academic year. In others, although courses are effectively full, admissions tutors will still try to squeeze in an outstanding candidate. Academics' hands are tied

to some extent by the Government's insistence that new intakes should remain frozen. Universities face financial penalties if they overshoot

their targets.
The result has been an increasing reliance on clearing, the process which matches rejected applicants to vacant places in the month following the publication of A-level grades. That is where all applicants will end up if they do not submit forms by the end of next month.

In order to speed up the clearing operation this year. entry forms will be sent in mid-July to candidates who have been rejected by all their chosen universities. This should avoid the usual bottleneck when A-level grades are published in August and should be especially useful for those taking vocational quali-fications, who get their results

However, most users of the Good University Guide will be considering an application for 1997. They have the rest of the year to study their options, although most like to finalise December 15 deadline.

Oxford and Cambridge have an earlier deadline of October 15 and applications are made to colleges, rather than the central universities.

For all prospective students, however, the first step is to send for the Ucas handbook. Copies are sent to all secondary schools, colleges and public libraries, but are available direct from Ucas, PO Box 28,

Cheltenham, Gloucestershire

Candidates may apply to six universities and will be allowed to hold a maximum of two offers if they get that many. No offers are made before the autumn, but there may be some advantage in an early application to ensure maximum choice and to be at the top of the pile when admissions tutors beging sifting through.

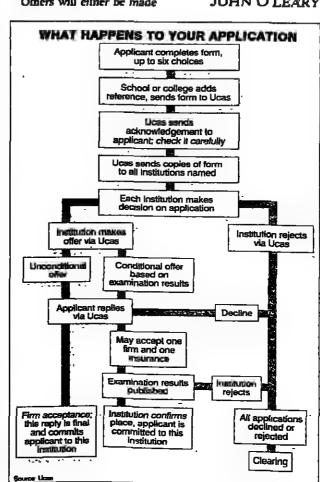
From November onwards. admissions tutors will make conditional offers based on A-level points or vocational qualifications to those still to sit their examinations. Candidates normally have to decide which offers to hold by the beginning of May, but there is

Others will either be made

basis of existing qualifications, or be rejected and left with clearing. Those who miss the December deadline may still submit an application to Ucas, but universities are not obliged to give them equal

uccessful candidates are advised to make the earliest possible application for a grant from their local education authority or the Scottish Education Department. Most degree courses entitle students to a mandatory award. as well as a student loan. The loan system has improved, but students have been kept waiting for both in previous years.

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It's open season for an Oxbridge place

hear that our two most prestigious, wealthy and traditional universities are feeling a little insecure. Central government, they claim, appears not only to be trying to undermine the autonomy of their collegiate systems but also to be denying them the necessary funds to maintain their standard of education and research.

On top of this there is a growing feeling in the senior common room that they may be losing the increasingly fierce competition to attract applicants. For those at present thinking of storming the Oxbridge citadel, here are a few comforting

The ratio of applicants to places both universities levels out at about three to one. There is a considerable difference between courses within this bald statistic. English and law may have as many as nine applicants to one place, compared with a science course where demand may be considerably less. Some colleges, usually the central, oldest, richest ones may also be more popular than the

But the fact remains that even an applicant applying to the most popular course and college has fewer rivals to compete with than someone applying to an oversubscribed course at some other universities, where the ratio may be as high as 20 to one.

Of course, those who apply to Oxbridge are more selected or selfOxford and Cambridge may turn out to be surprisingly eager to offer you an

opportunity, says Graham Lacey

selecting than applicants to other universities, but one should not fall for the myth that they are all geniuses

There was a rise in applications of 4.8 per cent to Cambridge last year, but those to Oxford slipped by 2.8 per cent. These relatively encouraging figures disguise a growing concern in both institutions. In short, a conflict is emerging between the desire to maintain their academic identity and standards and the need to continue to attract the desired quality as well as quantity of applicants.

The fear that Oxbridge will soon be left stranded on an island of academic purity and excellence in a sea of vocationalism and mediocriwas recently implied by an admissions tutor to me: "What should we do to attract more applicants to our subject?" Over the

TOMORROW

The changing student population:

what makes Britain's favourite study centres,

living on a student grant and

working your way through college.

forced to be much more sensitive to the wishes of the market for their courses even if this has meant, in some cases, a lowering of academic standards.

An instinctive conservatism may partly have led Oxbridge to resist travelling down this unpredictable road, but a worthy concern to have been the main obstacle. But how much longer can Oxbridge continue to defend an identity which may be becoming increasingly less valued by the members of their potential market?

Then there is the issue of the reform of the admissions system. Both universities, but especially Oxford, appear to have been caught between trying to make themselves as accessible to as wide a market as possible, and turning their admis-

Until a few years ago, the sitting of an entrance exam was a compulsory filter. Now, apart from the interview and the relatively untried experiment of submitted work or a test during the interview period, admissions tutors have little to go on other than the school reference and predicted grades.

As more and more school-leavers are predicted and achieve straight As, predictions have become of correspondingl, less value, Any-way, it is said that fewer students admitted with straight As can be relied upon to start the course with a sufficient base of knowledge.

The prospect of further reform of the admissions system is a reflection of the deep unease admissions staff feel about the future. If complacency has ever pervaded the corridors and cloisters of Oxbridge

colleges, it is rapidly disappearing. Prospective applicants may be surprised to hear that no longer are academic staff perched in ivory towers. In fact, they may want you as much as you want them, for their future prosperity will partly depend on attracting the right applicants just as yours might on being accepted.

If you are of suitable academic calibre, feel you would be at home at the university and on the chosen course, and would receive your school's support, do not be overawed. You might just surprise

The author is head of careers at



Cycling students in Cambridge: do not fall for the myth that all applicants to Oxbridge are geniuses

CAMBRIDGE COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

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CHOOSING between Oxford and Cambridge is only the start of the ambitious student's dilemmas. Selecting the right subject and college makes all the difference.

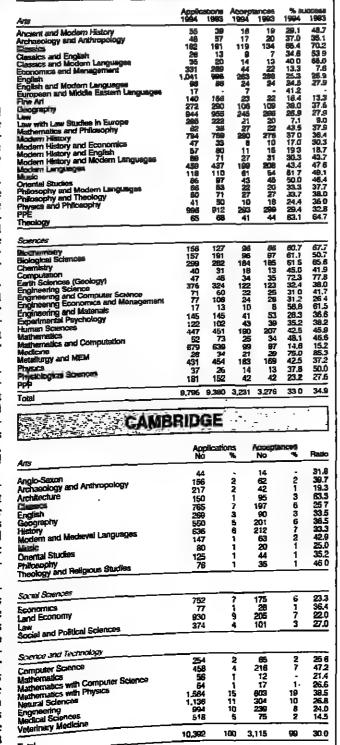
Rather than try to secondguess a college, better to use hard facts to narrow down the choices. The tables and graphic on this page are a good starting point, as are the Norrington and Tompkins tables, which record undergraduates' results. The two tables show, for

instance, that classics and theology offer a much better prospect of a place than other arts subjects. Metailurgy at Oxford is the best bet of all for those with the right A levels. Norrington and its Cam-

bridge counterpart come in for heavy criticism from dons, but they do show the uninitiated which are the academic powerhouses. Corpus Christi was last year's top Oxford college. with Magdalen and Balliol close behind.

At Cambridge, King's enjoyed five successive years at the head of the finals table before succumbing to Christ's in 1995. St Catharine's and Emmanuel had a meteoric rise to second and third re-

spectively Combined with the Cambridge chart above, or its numerical counterpart in the Oxford prospectus, the tables can help applicants to build up a picture of a college's academic strengths. At Oxford, for example, Lincoln College has seven applicants to the place er English but fewer than hree for chemistry. Keble has almost five applicants to the place for physics and only 1.3 for modern languages.



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Economic statistics: New

construction orders (March),

Bank of England quarterly

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interime: Century Inns, Charles Sidney, Chemex International, Commercial

Union (first quarter), Fidelity Japan OTC, Flextech (first

quarter), Greenalis Group,

Richards, Shaftesbury, Telewest (first quarter). Finals: Appleby Westward, Argyll Group, the Bank of Ire-

Economic statistics: Un-

employment (April), average earnings (March), unit wage costs (March).

THURSDAY

Interims: Alvis, British Gas

(first quarter), Burton Group,

Compass Group, Concentric, Grand Metropolitan, Hanson,

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of Oxford Investment Trust, Cox Insurance Holdings, Fine

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Key pointers

to growth

industrial costs and prices. Producer input

prices are expected to have risen by 0.4 per

cent in the month, depressing the annual

rate of growth to 2.3 per cent from 2.8 per

cent. The rate of output price inflation is

expected, according to the consensus of

market forecasts compiled by MMS

International, to have dropped to 3 per

cent from 3.4 per cent. Core output prices,

excluding food, drink and tobacco, are

seen dropping to 2.9 per cent year-on-year

Probably the key event this week comes

England's latest inflation report. This is expected broadly to echo the February

report, which said that the odds were on

meeting the Government's inflation target.

but which still urged caution on monetary

On Wednesday, April unemployment

figures are expected to show a fall of

10,000, while March average earnings

annual growth is predicted to be un-

changed at 3.5 per cent. On Thursday,

April retail price figures are due. The

market is expecting headline inflation to fall to 24 per cent from 27 per cent in

March, but the underlying rate to remain

unchanged at 29 per cent. RPIY, the

measure which excludes mortgage interest

payments and indirect taxes, is expected to

edge lower to 25 per cent from 26 per cent.

The last key British statistic of the week

comes on Friday with the April public

sector borrowing requirement. The MMS consensus is looking for a requirement of £3.1 billion.

around the world this week, with consum-

er prices data expected from America and

France, among others. The markets will

also be eagerly awaiting the figures on US

retail sales tomorrow.

Inflation is the key statistical theme

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BT looks poised to ring up £3bn

redundancy charges are expected to help the telecoms giant, which is headed by Sir lain Vallance, to ring in a healthy performance that could see full-year profits approach the E3 billion mark.

BZW expects final pre-tax profits, due on Thursday, to climb to £2.96 billion (£2.66 billion). with a dividend of 18.7p (17.7p) predicted. Market forecasts range from £2.92 billion to £3.03 billion.

Analysts expect BT, which recently saw the breakdown of a possible £35 billion merger with Cable and Wireless, to see linle underlying growth, with the majority of any profits increase likely to be driven by a reducing redundancy charge. However, with Offel, the industry regulator, staging roadshows across the UK to garner views on the level of luture price caps on telecom services, the forthcoming price control review is all-important. Any information on regulatory relationships and likely dividend implications will be crucial.

ARGYLL GROUP: Healthy sales growth and reorganisation benefits should allow Argyll, the Safeway supermarket group, to check in with another strong advance in full-year profits when it reports on Wednesday.

The benefits of the Safeway 2000 reorganisation should help Argyll to overcome the worst effects of the recent "trolley wars". Supermarket groups have battled for market share, slashing prices on items ranging from petrol to hananas and baked beans in a bid to win customers.

Nick Bubb, of Mees Pierson, is looking for pre-tax profits to rise to £405 million (£375 million). A dividend of 13p (12p) is predicted. Market forecasts range from £400 million to £410 million.

ALLIED DOMECQ: The drinks group will unveil a poor set of interims tomorrow, reflecting weakness in the European spirits market and destocking in the United States. The company said in February that first-half pre-tax profits were expected to be down by about 20 per cent after difficult trading in its spirits business. Kleinwort Benson forecasts in-



terim pre-tax profits of £320 million. Market forecasts range from £315 million to £340 million. against £403 million last time before E17 million of exceptional gains. The market range for the dividend is 9.0p to 12.25p.

GRAND METROPOLITAN: Low spirit prices are also thought to have held back profits at GrandAtet, whose other businesses span Pilisbury to Burger King. GrandMet said in February that it was trading in line with expectations, with volumes up at its Pillsbury and Burger

King businesses, while the IDV international drinks business was in line with forecasts. The figures will also be boosted by a full contribution from Pet Inc. the US foods group acquired last year for £72 million. Colin Davies, at Goldman Sachs, the US securities house, predicts a £450 million interim profit before tax and exceptionals, and a 5.9p dividend. Market forecasts range from £436 million to £466 million. against £412 million last time.

HANSON: The focus at Thursday's first-half results from the Anglo-American industrial conglomerate will be on demerger plans, which involve Hanson splitting itself into four companies. The market will also be keen to hear what the group says about the integration of Eastern, the regional electricity group acquired last year for £2.5 billion. Excluding Eastern, UBS, the broker, expects the downturn at Quantum to fuel an acceleration

in the underlying rate of decline in Hanson's operating profits from 11 per cent in the first quarter to 14 per cent in the second quarter. Eastern is expectmillion to £91 million.

BURTON GROUP: A strong improvement in sales and gross margins is expected to help the clothing retailer — owner of Debenhams department stores. the Top Shop/Top Man chain Principles womenswear

shops - to unveil a strong advance in first-half profits. Interim pre-tax profits, due on Thursday, are expected to climb to £87.5 million (£67 million). according to Mees Pierson. Market forecasts range from £74

contribution for the half year.

while news is awaited on the

pre-tax profits to dip 4 per cent to

EolO million. A 3p quarterly dividend is anticipated. Market

forecasts range from £574 million to £610 million.

BOC GROUP: The industrial

gases to healthcare group is tomorrow expected to lift first-

half profits, but analysts fear that

roaring growth in American gas-

es may be slowing. The group

gave warning with its first-

quarter results that growth was

slowing, and analysts think that

the trend has continued. There is

also some concern that vacuum

operations could be hit by signs of

a downturn in the US semicon-

Europe, the Japanese securities

house, predicts first-quarter pre-

tax profits of £115 million, giving

£216 million (£194.8 million) for

the half year. Forecasts range

from £200 million to £220

BRITISH GAS: A harsh winter

and chilly spring are expected to

boost Thursday's first-quarter

figures from British Gas. The

cold snap will have lifted explora-

tion results and gas sales as well

as income for TransCo, the pipe-

line operator, which today awaits a crucial regulatory review of its

price regime. NatWest Securities

is looking for first-quarter net

income to climb 9 per cent to £658

million (£605 million). Market forecasts range from £620 million

to £670 million.

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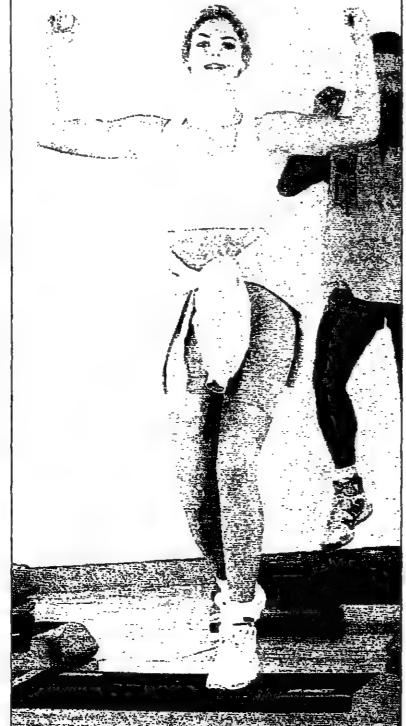
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Goldstar of Korea set to invest £1bn in Wales

By IOLA SMITH

LUCKY GOLDSTAR, the Europe's leading producer of South Korean electronics company, is poised to announce a £1 billion investment in South Wales, creating 4,000 jobs. Details of the project.

which would rank among the largest-ever single inward investments in the UK, could be announced early this

Week.

LG has been looking for a site for a huge silicon chip manufacturing plant. After investigating sites in Scotland, the northeast of England, Ireland and at least three in Wales, the company is thought to have chosen Imperial Park in Newport. The science park is a joint

venture between Imperial College London and the Welsh Development Agency. The agency has enjoyed geat sucess in attracting Asian investment in Wales, particularly from Japan, and earlier this year secured its first Korean investment when Halla unveiled a £17 million investment that will create 300 new jobs producing me-chanical diggers and forklift trucks in Merthyr Tydfii.

LG's move would confirm Newport as the new Silicon Valley. QPL International Holdings of Hong Kong.

silicon wafers, is already operating there. Since 1992 it has made four-inch and six-inch silicon chips within integrally printed circuits. Two months ago it announced a £230 million expansion programme, creating 768 new jobs. QPL will make an eightinch silicon wafer with a much larger capacity.

Korean investment in Britain is set to increase after John Major's tour of the Far East in March. In South Korea, Mr Major spent several hours in bilateral talks with President Kim Young Sam before signing a number of important trade deals

In a keynote address to the Federation of Korean Industry, Mr Major said there had been an enormous increase in economic ties between the two

British exports to Korea in 1995 increased by 44 per cent and Korean exports to the UK increased 61 per cent. Two-way trade exceeded \$5 billion for the first time.

In October last year the Queen opened the new Samsung electronics complex in northeast England. Daewoo has doubled the capacity of its VCR plant in Northern Ireland.



Ed Wallis wrote a sharp protest letter to Ian Lang

Pressure on Wallis over veto challenge

POWERGEN, the generator whose bid for Midlands Electricity was vetoed by the Government, will decide in the next few days whether to mount a legal challenge.

But there may be doubt over whether it will go through with the action. Pressure on Ed Wallis, chief executive, to push for a judicial review will be intense following the company's ag-gressive reaction to the blockg of its bid for Midlands and that of National Power for Southern Electric

Mr Wallis wrote a sharp protest letter to lan Lang President of the Board of Trade, while the company said that it might also halt the £450 million sale of power stations demanded by the industry's regulator.

However, there is some feeling in the City that Mr Wallis's blunt and forthright manner could be unsettling some investor confidence in

One analyst said that investors were keener to see a "plan B" from the generator rather than what may be perceived us antagonism

PowerGen's board meets on Thursday, but a decision on a judicial review is likely before that. The company must also decide whether to sell its 21 per cent stake in Midlands Electricity to Gen-eral Public Utilities and Cinergy, the two American groups that are now bidding for the regional company.

PowerGen stands to make a profit of £80 million on selling

The generator delivers its full-year results next week when it will be expected to outline further details of its action in the wake of its failed bid for Midlands.

Mr Wallis becomes chairman in July. Deryk King from ICI will take over the day-today running of the company.

GILT-EDGED

Why bulls' suffering will come to an end

it's been a tough year for bulls in the UK, and not ust the bovine variety. While buils in the gilt market have, fortunately, not faced slaughter, they have suffered as gilt prices have slumped. Other European markets have either fallen less or succeeded in rising. However, while gilts may not yet have seen the worst, they could begin to recover lost ground

later this year. A popular explanation for the underperformance of gilts relative to other European markets is the plunge in the US Treasury market. Thus the widening in the yield spread between gilts and Ger-man bunds from 155 basis points (bp) to 180bp since the start of the year is seen as a reflection of the widening in the US Treasury-bund spread from -26 to +45bp.

Look to 1994 for a precedent for this. A similar sell-off in the Treasury market saw gilts underperform bunds, partly as the markets reasoned that the UK economy was closer to the US economic cycle than

was Germany's. However, this "transatlantic" view of gilts does not provide the full story of 1996. Gilts have failed to share in the sharp rally in the higher-yielding peripheral European markets, such as Italy, Spain and Sweden. This is in contrast to 1994, when these markets actually fared even worse than gilts.

The second part of the 1996 story is that gilts have failed to benefit from the German mark's weakness and growing confidence in the progress towards European monetary union. The UK Government's opt-out on EMU has lumbered the gilt market with an opt-out on European bond yield convergence.

But even this does not complete the story. The gilt market probably would have

lagged behind even if the Government was a fully paidup member of the EMU fan dub. Domestic news, on inflation, on the budget and on the political front has simply failed to measure up to the news elsewhere.

Thus while inflation across Europe has been falling, the UK figures have been disappointing. Similarly, there has been speculation that UK public borrowing will over-shoot its targets. The sight of the Government lurching from one crisis to another has fuelled uncertainty about the fiscal outlook both pre-election and post-election.

By contrast, the markets have grown more convinced that politicians elsewhere in Europe are determined to reduce budget deficits. New

Weakness in the gilt market in the next few weeks should be regarded

as a chance to buy

onvernments in Italy and Spain have been particularly keen to demonstrate their willingness to drive towards the EMU entry criteria.

However, the factors which have caused the gilt market's underperformance may go into reverse later this year. US Treasury bond yields

may be close to a peak. The market has moved quickly to price in stronger economic growth and higher official interest rates. Yet it is far from a foregone conclusion that the Federal Reserve will oblige. Ironically, the rise in longterm rates will in itself help to dampen economic growth.

Meanwhile, there are signs that the mark, like the German economy, will soon bot-

have publicly subscribed to this view, and with good reason. The economy has yet to feel the full benefit of lower interest rates and a weaker currency. The fall in the tradeweighted value of the mark that has occurred this year alone, of around 212 per cent, will provide a stimulus roughly equivalent to a further I per cent off interest rates.

Comparisons between the UK and other European markets may become less unflattering in the autumn as pledges of fiscal austerity across Europe are put to the test. Achieving agreement on further budget cuts at a time of still-lacklustre growth will not be easy.

Although there may be few disappointments to come still on the inflation front (including this week's retail prices release), the domestic UK news may be turning the corner. The collapse in producer price inflation promises better inflation news, and lower interest rates towards the vear-end. Although the fiscal outlook may not improve much, the gilt market will not be surprised by a modest upward revision to the Government's deficit projections.

Meanwhile, the political background can hardly get much worse. The Conservatives' opinion poll rating appears to have troughed, albeit at very low levels. This could be significant not just for its own sake, but also because it may encourage new Labour to sound, and become, more like a new Conservative Party.

Investors should thus view any further weakness in the gilt market in the next few weeks as a buying opportunity. Gilt market bulis may be feeling less sheepish by the

MARK CLIFFE

Concern at smartcard privacy

BY ALASDAER MURRAY

PERSONAL information about each member of the population is stored on average on 200 business and government databases, according to a report into electronic smartcards published by Demos, the think-tank. over the security and privacy

At present, there are 200,000 databases in the UK, with the number set to grow as smartcards, which are used in applications as diverse as phone-cards and supermarket loyalty

efficiency, but they are also increasingly providing busi-nesses and the Government with detailed personal information. Demos says that smartcard providers must act quickly to address public fears

of the cards.

The worldwide market in smartcard technology is forecast to grow at an annual rate cards and supermarket loyalty of 41 per cent and will be cards, spreads. Smartcards can worth £1.3 billion by the year

help to cut costs and improve 2000. About 4,000 different smartcard schemes will be in operation worldwide by the end of the century.

Surveys have found around 80 per cent of the population is seriously worried about how the information collected by smartcards is being used. Fears of misuse are centred on organisations perceived as holding the greatest amount of private information, with people least inclined to provide personal details to banks. utilities, financial services companies and

Demos argues that businesses have to date tended to dismiss the public's fears as an over-reaction.

It recommends changing data protection legislation to require data holders to seek the express permission of customers to hold personal data and providing data subjects with a right to erase irrelevant and excessive material.



AIM list at 146 and still growing

ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT MARKET

of new companies took the number traded on AIM to 146, compared with just ten

started on June 19 last year. Capitalisation stands at £3.06 billion, while £278 million has been raised since the market began. Among those

expected to see a small premium of about lp.

There is talk of strong support for a placing by Teather and Greenwood later this month for Mulberry, the leather goods company, and there has been interest in Thomas Potts, the printing due to join AIM this month company associated with

tial. A placing at 100p, accompanied with a 19-for-one bonus issue, effectively gives a placing price of 5p a share. Dealers report considerable interest and predict a substantial premium of about 3p over the 5p placing price.

Others due to join include

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Financial advisers swamped by calls on long-term care



MIDDLE-CLASS families are being asked to pay twice for nursing care in old age, independent financial advis-

By Marianne Curphey

ers (IFAs) claim. After the Government published its consultation document on longterm care last week, the offices of IFAs and the headquarters of Help the Aged, the charity, were inundated with calls from anxious pensioners.

Elderly people have been inquiring about transferring ownership of their homes and protesting that they could not possibly pay the insurance premiums suggested. Staff have been advising callers, many of whom believe the proposals have been

decisions until the consultation process becomes legislation in 1997.

The proposals from the Department of Health suggested people should should take out costly insurance polices that would pay out if they needed to enter a nursing home. But millions of elderly people have already paid around 10 per cent of their salary in National Insurance contributions throughout their lives.

According to Nic Round, a leading Shropshire-based IFA, no government incentives to pay for long-term care will be successful unless savings and insurance scheme are made compulsory, since current schemes

made law, not to make any hasty penalise thrifty pensioners and there are legal ways of avoiding making contributions towards care.

> "It is possible to avoid paying for your nursing care in old age." he said. "You can use trusts to hold shares, savings and investments in the name of a child or relative and transfer assets across to other family members, all quite legally. You can either pay for your own care, or avoid it through astute financial moves. If enough people avoid paying for their care, the Government will be forced to look at alternatives, including making families care for their own elderly relatives."

> The Department of Health proposes two major initiatives in its

took a smaller pension at retirement n order to claim larger payments when nursing care was needed.

The other is based on US-style partnership schemes where in return for taking out insurance policies the assets belonging to retired people are disregarded during means testing. At present, people with only £10,000 in assets have to make a

contribution and those with £16,000 must pay the full bill, usually between £12,000 and £21,500. Only when their savings and capital have been whittled down to the limit will the State pay the costs.

Mr Round said that retired couples could transfer ownership of their

White Paper: one would mean people home to their children to avoid having to sell it should they need to go into a nursing home. "The State pays just under £300 a week if you need care and cannot afford to pay for it yourself and that is enough to pay for a nursing home with a decent standard of care and decoration," he

> Age Concern, of which Lady Greengross is Director-General, has published a paper on the options for elderly people trying to protect their assets. It acknowledges that many older people are angry because they feel they are being "cheated" out of free residential care after a lifetime of paying taxes and feel justified in expecting the State to pick up the bill.

imports hits UK A surge in imports from

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"super-competitive" re-gions, including the Far East and America, is denting the growth in Britain's economy, a report by the Chartered Institute of Marketing says today. Imports from newly in-

dustrialised economies are up 33 per cent in the past three months, compared with the same period last year, while imports from North America are up 23 per cent, the report says. Professor Douglas McWilliams, economic adviser, said that the surge in

Far East imports had been one of the main causes of growth of the UK's manufacturing production. An increasing amount of electronics goods sold in the UK are produced in the Far East.

Deposits rise

Jersey banks saw a 23 per cent increase in deposits in the first quarter of the year to £90 billion. The main growth area was in foreign currency deposits, up 29 per cent, or £1.9 billion, on the last quarter to £63.5 billion, according to the States of Jersey Financial Services Department. In both the sterling and nonsterling categories, Eurothe UK, increased during the quarter to account for £41 billion, or 45 per cent, of total deposits.

Bearish view

The latest monthly survey of UK fund managers by Gallup for Merrill Lynch, involving 71 institutions handling funds totalling £798 billion, found UK fund managers more pessimistic about the prospects for US equities, with ears outnumbering bulls by a balance of 41 per cent on a year's view and 47 per cent on a three- month view. They are also bearish about UK equities and gilts over the next year.

Hanson signal

Companies, page 39

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Non-executive fees rise along with extra responsibility

FEES paid to non-executive independent chairman and directors are rising sharply. A non-executive directors indicates that they believe their new report shows that Britain's largest companies are higher salaries are justified by paying directors up to 27 per cent more than one year ago. the additional workload resulting from their increased involvement in audit and rewhile non-executive chairmen have seen their pay rise by 10 muneration committees.

The poll of directors holding The pay increases reflect a 480 appointments, including growing workload and addithree members of the tional responsibilities arising Greenbury committee, also from the Cadbury and suggests that non-executives Greenbury reports on corpobelieve the degree of control they can exercise over a company's affairs is increasing. There has also been a signifithe Top Pay Research Group. The group's 1996 survey of

Late payment less

severe for firms

BY OUR CITY STAFF

52.8 days in 1994 to 53.2 in

1996. However, fewer busi-

nesses said they saw late

payment as a threat to their

existence. The vast majority

of firms now set payment

terms of 30 days and the

survey said there was a

distinct trend towards short-

vey shows that late payment

of commercial debt contin-

ues to remain a problem for

many SMEs although there

have been some encouraging

developments on credit con-

trol procedures."

ening payment periods. Tony Bonner, SME Councant increase in the use of headhunters to assist in the appointment of non-executive directors. The survey shows that the

largest companies — those with a turnover of more than El billion - now pay nonexecutive directors an average of £37.000 each per year, compared with £29,000 a year

Non-executive chairmen are paid an average of £110,000, rising from £100,000 previously. The average daily rate paid to part-time chairmen, based on the number of days devoted to a company's affairs and the annual fee, ranges between £620 and £756. On this basis, the highest paid chairman who responded to the survey earned £2.875 per day, the lowest £150.

There has been a dramatic increase in the percentage of non-executive directors who feel they have enough power to exert influence on a company. A total of 88 per cent believed they could take action aginst an underperforming director, compared with 75 per cent a year ago, while 88 per cent felt they could control executive directors' compensation, compared with 75 per

said it wished to see changes made to recommendations in the Cadbury and Greenbury reports so that part-time chairmen can be partially remunerated through enhanced shareholder value bonuses instead of escalating fixed fees.



Asquith on way to Ofex market

By Philip Pangalos

ASQUITH Motor Carriage Company, which is best known for its replicas of vintage taxis and prewar-style delivery vans for shops such as Austin Reed and Daks Simpson, is tomorrow joining the Ofex market, the trading facility for shares in unquoted

The company is issuing an offer for subscription on at about £1.95 million.

Ofex, with the flotation expected to raise £750,000 before expenses, capitalising Asquith Crispin Reed, Asquith's managing director, said the

proceeds will be used to pro-

vide working capital and to fund the development and marketing of a modern design "black cab", which will be launched at the International Motor Show at the NEC, Birmingham, in October.

The new range of taxis will be made in Sri Lanka by Dimo international from next year and will effectively challenge taxis made by Manganese Bronze.

The company, which has 12 vintage-style taxis, 12 limousines and about 500 commercial vehicles, recorded losses last year, but hopes to break even by the end of this year.

Regulators face lawsuit threat

By Caroline Merrell

THE solicitor acting for investors in Knight Williams, the failed investment firm, is considering suing the regulating authorities for negligence Caroline Merrell writes).

The Securities and Investment Board and the Personal Investment Authority, the two regulators at the centre of the have immunity from legal action, unless it can be proved

that they acted in bad faith. Dibb Lupton and Broomhead is acting on behalf of 400 investors with the failed firm, who are part of the Knight Williams Investor Action

Group (KWIAG). The mainly elderly investors have been claiming compensation from Knight Williams for mis-sold and poorly performing Knight Williams went into

liquidation in the middle of last year, but no investor has yet been paid compensation. head, said: "We are looking to sue the regulators for negligence. The liquidator was passed 400 files last August, but no investors have yet been paid. Many have had their hopes raised, only to have

Lord Hanson, chairman of Hanson, the Anglo-American tobacco to energy conham, chief executive, are expected this week to give further details of its E10 billion demerger plans. Hanson intends to split itself into four companies.

Quote for European Telecom

LATE payment is still a

problem for almost half of

nesses, although its effect is

less severe than two years

ago, a report shows today.

The survey by the Confederation of British Industry

and Coopers & Lybrand, the

accountancy firm, revealed

that while credit control

proved, late payment re-mains a problem for 45 per

cent of small and medium

The average number of

days taken to be paid has

increased marginally from

enterprises (SMEs).

about 1,400 customers in more the last financial year.

The company was founded in 1990 by Warren Hardy, the chief executive. Sales have risen from £170,000 in 1991 to £78.5 million last year. Over the same period pre-tax profits have risen from £6,000 to £2.44 million.

Dealings are expected to begin early next month. The issue is sponsored by Singer &

California authorities defer Lloyd's litigation

LLOYD'S of London, which faces legal battles on a number of fronts in America, has secured a truce with authorities in California. The California Department

of Insurance (CDI) and the state Department of Corporations (DOC) have agreed to defer litigation and attempt to resolve disputes involving the DOC. Lloyd's and Lloyd's names.

As a result of the agreement, the two US agencies will attempt to negotiate a standstill among all parties to the DOC/Lloyd's action. The agreement is further

good news for David Row-land, the Lloyd's chairman, who has visited America on a number of occasions seeking support for the Lloyd's settlement, the success of which is vital for the survival of the market. On Friday, there was a guarded welcome in London for a £1.2 billion package of sweeteners for names. The standstill agreement in

California would preclude Lloyd's to reinsure its 1992 and new litigation until June 15 to allow the parties to agree on a process for resolving the case

outside the courts. Lloyd's would be allowed to communicate with names in California, where it seeks to garner support for Equitas, the company established by



Rowland: welcome news

prior liabilities. The standstill would also preclude Lloyd's collateral by names, unless it is necessary to pay claims after a catastrophic loss. Peter Lane, managing direc-

tor of Lloyd's North America. said: "We are pleased that the two departments in California have reached this agreement. It allows time for all the parties to work out their differences without resorting to further litigation.

We welcome this news on behalf of our California memprogress of our Reconstruction and Renewal Plan." The DOC's desist and re-

frain orders had prevented Lloyd's from communicating with California members, and Lloyd's believes names there were subject to "considerable misinformation".

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EUROPEAN TELECOM, an international distributor of cellular telephones and accessories, is to seek a share listing in London by way of a placing. The company is expected to be valued at about E35 million (Martin Barrow writes). European Telecom, has

than 40 countries. It supplies products from leading manufacturers, including Nokia, Ericsson and Motorola, to network operators, service providers, wholesalers, retailers and dealers. About 71 per cent of sales were exported in

WORD-WATCHING

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(b) A bright green colour used in water-colour painting. An eponym of William Hooker (1779-1832), bottonical artist, inventor of Hooker's Green.

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(c) In full, make shark. A large blue shark of the genus Isurus, especially Isurus cogrinchus. The Maori name. Ernest Hemingway. The Old Man large Sea, 1952: "He was a very big make shark built to swim as fast as the large state." the fastest fish in the sea."

A popular alcoholic beverage in Kotea. The Korean name transliterated. "Domestic production of wheat is one-quarter the volume of imports and is used mainly for noodles and makkoli, the common alcoholic beautiful."

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ood news for Gwent. Bar-Tring last-minute hitches, Korea's Lucky Goldstar plans a El billion investment to make silicon chips near Newport that could create 4,000 new jobs. This is something to celebrate. Expansive Korean companies take a longer view than shrinking British ones, so a new generation can hope for greater security than its parents. It is a fair bet, however, that few of the new full-time jobs will be for over-45s, even fewer for over-50s, scarcely any for over-55s.

How different when there is bad news on jobs. Ten days ago, Sun Alliance and Royal Insurance proposed a merger that will end about 4,000 British jobs. Attempts will be made to minimise any compulsory redundancy, presumably by the time-honoured method of offering early retirement. A senior union official noted with relief that there was a good spread of over-50s at both companies. Pensioning off the over-50s is the civilised thing to do. Some would doubtless love to go.

Old jobs go and new jobs come. But there is a mismatch. Apart from part-time and casual work, most new jobs generally go to the young. Older employees, especially junior managers, are usually the first to go when jobs have to be culled.

There are reasons for this. For companies with final-salary pension schemes, hiring older employees can be extremely expensive. Young, workers can be started on lower wages too. Recruiters also have a

Fiftysomethings founder in realists' labour pool

natural prejudice against hiring subordinates older than themselves. on the grounds that they must be mediocre, unambitious or tired if they have failed to progress so far.

The younger the managers, the bleaker it will be for older job applicants. Neither John Major nor Tony Blair plan to recruit more greybeards into government.

Some young workers will be useless or lackadaisical, but from

their number will come the leaders of tomorrow. Most managers enjoy spotting and developing talent. Older workers tend to have experience and perspective, which may be valuable for work, but is probably the last thing their managers want. To others, this is mere "ageism",

as reprehensible to the liberal mind

as any other discriminating "ism". Worthy intiatives have therefore been taken to promote employment for the growing numbers of older jobless or under-employed. There were several in 1993, doubtless still better know to most as "the European year of older people". The occasional superstore retailer has found that older workers are better. more reliable and more available. But for every such discovery, there



are still a dozen calls to retire judges. bishops, sports or arts administrators earlier because they are out of touch; for middle-aged managers to make way for younger people; for ageing local councillors to be swept aside. It was always thus.

Today, a serious new attempt will be launched to stem the tide. Eighteen leading employers, including British Airways, BT, Sainsbury and the Post Office will come together in the Employers Forum on Age. As many a lawn-mowing redundant fiftysomething may recall, some of these have conducted their own mass culls of milking executives deemed to be near the end of is nothing like the zeal of a convert.

The Institute of Management has already called for age discrimination to be banned in job advertising. Calculating how costly it is to pension skilled people off early may

carry more influence.

Howard Davies, Deputy Governor of the Bank of England who,
oddly, chairs the forum, argues that culls of over-50s have given them the impression that they are seen as dispensable and less valuable than younger employees. He says: "There is a danger that these attitudes will become entrenched and that British business will suffer."

In reality, they have been entrenched in business for as long as the drive to make industry leaner and fitter and for as long as the American doctrine of down-sizing, whose high priest is now belatedly recanting. The economy as a whole

is suffering.
As the CBI's Director-General. Mr Davies led the cheers for official retirement ages to be equalised upward at 65, just as reality was rushing headlong in the opposite direction. That move will raise the supply of older workers without any

increase in demand. A flexible labour market requires a large pool of unemployed, according to the Bank of England among others. Increasing numbers of older workers will be swimming in it.

Even more will be in unplanned early retirement. That can be attractive but ensures that pensioners will. on average, have lower incomes and less free capital than has been assumed by projecting the growth of pension schemes. They will form a new generation of genteel poor. As last week's proposals on long-term care show, however, governments plan to load more financial commitments on the retired than they expected. That applies whichever party is in power. But fewer pension-

ers will be able to afford it. Bridging that wide divide needs far more than a modest change of attitude among senior industrialists. Unemployment or relative poverty among older people is an inevitable consequence of the new economic realism in which Kenneth Clarke and Tony Blair so blithely agree that

lifetime employment is as dead. The more regularly jobs come and go, the more certainly old workers will lose out in the process, whatever the final tally of jobs lost versus those created. Only if job losses are stemmed will older workers be able to make their full contribution. That is a far bigger issue for the nation's finances than the ageing of the population. Without it, state finances will grow ever tighter and taxation creep ever higher.

maximum of £70, and then 70p

for every El. The Australians

believe the scheme provides an incentive to work without offer-

ing a direct subsidy to employers to take on only low-paid lab-

our. The cost trade-off is tougher criteria for claimants, with

benefit payments dependent on fulfilling job-hunting criteria.

The second major thrust of

the reforms is to redesign the

system to encourage women to work by removing their de-pendent status. The partner

allowance, aimed at women

under 40, assesses each poten-

tial wage-earner independent-

ly, allowing women to start

working before damaging their partner's income support

claims. The parenting allow-

ance, meanwhile, was de-

signed to improve work

incentives for low-wage cou-

ples with children and give

mothers, in particular, the

opportunity to enter the

workforce. It is paid to the

main child-carer, whether the mother or the father, and is

only withdrawn gradually as

income rises, again encourag-

The Australian Government was determined to prove there

were no sacred cows in the

welfare system and took the

controversial step of means-

testing family allowance. Lab-

our will note, after last week's

public arguments, that the re-

forms also excluded over-16s

from child benefit, although

there is a separate means-tested

education grant available. The

result is that around 65 per cent

of assistance is directed at

families earning less than £200

a week, with the average pay-

ment E)05 a week. But around

80 per cent of all families still

only been in place less than a

year. There is some concern

that the system has become

overly complicated, with the result that many potential claimants are deprived of their

benefits. But there is a confi-

dence, absent from the debate

in this country, that Australia

has in place an effective wel-

fare system that it will be able

The country's unemploy-

ment rate is similar to that in

the UK, while the demograph-

ic patterns are also compara-

ble. Yet Australia's total tax

take is the second lowest in the

Organisation for Economic

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ment. It is a record either

political party in the UK would be happy to claim.

to finance in the future.

Most of the reforms have

receive some assistance.

ing even part-time work.

A portrait in boiling oils

Picasso's Women. Radio 3, 9.15pm.

A non-stop tirade by the painter's first wife, Olga, launches Brian McAvera's four self-revealing monologues by women who played key roles in Picasso's life. The least scornful charge she brings against him is that musically, he couldn't follow two bars — unless he was walking from one to the other. Then she really turns up the heat. He had "all the affection of a buzz-saw". He was a "libidinous dwarf". He was "a waste of space". Even in death, there is no escape for Pablo Picasso. She swears from beyond the grave that she will find him even if she has to break down the gates of Hell, and inflict unspeakable punishment on him. As Olga, Barbara Flynn constantly tops up her reservoir of venom. tops up her reservoir of venom.

Book at Bedtime: Next of Kin. Radio 4, 10.45pm.

The colours Joanna Trollope mixes in her new novel are darker than I ne colours Joanna I rollope mixes in her new hover are darker than usual. Even the one trace of humour in episode one is of the graveyard variety. As a woman's body is lowered into the grave, it starts raining and her brother-in-law opens up an umbrella. It bears the legend: "Mid-Mercia Farmers' Co-operative." Trollope's book, to judge by what little I have heard of Robin Ellis's reading of it, is strong on family tensions and dairy farming. There are some telling strong on family tensions and dairy farming. There are some telling portraits, including that of the widower's mother. She habitually surveys her son in a calm and curious way as if she could never quite remember who he was.

Peter Davalle

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Morning Collection with Paul Gambaccini, includes Suppe (Overture: Light Cavalry); Frank Martin (Ouetre Cavary; Frank Martin (Citiese hansons, 1931) 10.00 Musical Encounture. Charles Mediam and William Hunt, viola da gambas. Richard Egan, hanoschord from Artists of the Week:

nom Anass or the Weak: London Beroque perform Bech (Viola da Gamba Sonata in D, BWV 1028) 10.15 Dvořak (The Water Goblin); Graupner (Cantala Mein Herz schwinnnt in Blut); Mozart (Divertimento in F., K213) 11.00 Schubert (Plano Sonata in C, D840, Reficue); Chauson (Symphony in B fiet) 12.00 Composer of the Weelc Clara Schumann, Polonaise

in E flat, Op 1 No 1; Caprices en forme de valse; Souvenir de Vierne; Pleno Trio in G minor, Op 17

1.00pm BBC Lunchtime
Concert, live from St John's, Smith Source, J porfer.

Smith Square, London.
Barbara Bonney, soprano, and Malcolm Martineau, plano. Robert Schumarin [Widmung; Der Nussbaum; Migmon]; Clara Schumarin (Six Sonus On 13). Alma (Six Songs, Op 13); Alma Mahler (In meines Vaters Garten; Ekstase, Der Erkennende), Gustav Mahler (Fruhlingsmorgen; Erinnerung; Ich ging mit lust)

2.00 Schools. The Song Tree 2.15
Storybox 2.25 Let's Move
2.45 First Steps in Drama
2.00 The UPC Orchestres. The
BBC Phitamonic, with
Kethryn Stoft, plano, under
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(Plano Concento No 2 in C minor); Dvořák (Symphony No 7 in D minor) 4.30 Hoagy's Jezz, The final episode of Mel Hill's profile of Hoagy Carmichael 5.00 The Music Machine

5.15 in Tune. including, Mozert (Overture: Cosi fan tutle); Prokofiev (Overture on Prokofiev (Overture on Hebrew Themes); Debussy (Cello Sonata)

7.30 Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, under Yakov Kreisberg Maxim Vengerov, violin. Vasks (Cantablie); Prokofiev (Violin Concerto No 2 in G minor); Tchaikovsky (Symphony No 8 in B minor, Pathesique)

8.15 Picasso's Women — Oige See Choice

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9.35 The Venetian Connection.

Martin Roscoe, piano. Fauré
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11.00 Babblewick Hell (FM only). An 18th-century sit-com written by Scott Cherry, starring Nicholas Le Prevost With Forbes Masson, David Antrobus and Sam Kelly (2/6)

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Welfare shorn of its sacred cows

Alasdair Murray

says Australia's

approach could

be the model for

our creaking social security system

he cost of Britain's welfare state stands at £85 billion and is rising. The numbers dependent on state benefits have doubled over the past 17 years from one in 12 of the population to one in six, while incomes for the poorest tenth have fallen by about 17 per cent in real terms.

Increasing job insecurity means that more people each year are experiencing hard-ship, with an estimated 20 per cent of the workforce enduring a period of unemployment in the past four years. Not sur-prisingly the future of the welfare state is emerging as a major electoral issue, with Labour insisting that only it can be trusted to conduct serious reform. The Conservatives will emphasise their record in controlling the spi-

ralling social security budget. But underneath the party posturing there is agreement that Britain's creaking welfare system is in dire need of overhaul. A number of sweening visions for reform have been put forward in recent years, from the revival of friendly societies to the cre-



An estimated 20 per cent of the workforce has endured a period of unemployment in the past four years

ation of a "citizen's income", a universal allowance for every member of the population. The ideas are imaginative, but lack a costing or serious

legislative framework. Chris Smith, the Shadow Social Security spokesman, began to set out his party's reform objectives in a speech to the Institute for Public Policy Research last week, in

which he emphasised that a Labour government would set out to spend less on welfare and that it was keen to employ public and private provision

as part of its strategy. The public will have to await the publication of a series of policy papers to discover how these philosophical goals might be met. But a number of the Labour Party's ideals are already up amd running in Australia, which both Mr Smith and Tony Blair

have visited recently.
The Australian welfare systetn was constructed, like its British counterpart, around the model of a single wageearning household needing temporary relief from shortterm unemployment. But demographic and economic change have largely made the model redundant and the Australian Labor Party spent its 13 years in office trying to adapt

the system to new realities. The reforms were targeted at removing the welfare disincentive to take low-paid or parttime jobs, the Government arguing that the crux of the problem was not unemployment but underemployment. It emerged that jobseekers were reluctant to take opportunities in short-term or part-time employment because of benefit withdrawals.

mined to alleviate benefit anomalies caused by the increasing entry of women into the labour market, But there is another good

reason why Mr Blair's Labour Party has found the Australian model attractive. The Australian Labor Party was determined to make the process cost neutral and was prepared to trade-off better benefits for the lowest income groups with tighter benefit targeting.

The jury is still out on whether the reforms will uitimately save money. But the plans have achieved a remarkable degree of political consensus, with the incoming rightwing Liberal Government insisting it will preserve the benefits system intact. The few reforms the Liberals have proposed, including a taxbreak to encourage mothers to

stay at home, are simply tinkering at the edges. Britain's Labour Party has made approving noises about the newly introduced Australian pensions system. Australia had a long-established noncontributory system but the country was to keen to expand provision without incurring crippling costs. The solution was a new contributory system, funded by employees, employers and the Government. The scheme was sold as

an "investment in the future". with the Government offering to match employees' 3 per cent contribution in lieu of a tax cut, while employers pay up to 9 per cent of the wage.

The new system was backed

The main aim behind the overhaul in the rest of the welfare system has been to encourage the unemployed back to work, even if it is part-time or casual employment, while providing better protection to the lowest-paid. The Working Nation paper, published in 1994, concentrated on introducing a phased withdrawal of benefit to

break the benefit trap.

The "underemployed" can now earn up to £30 a fortnight without losing any benefit. They are also entitled to accumulate this fortnightly credit when they are not working, to a maximum of £250, so, for instance, there is an incentive to take seasonal employment. Beyond the credit zone, bene-

by tax breaks, while the noncontributory pension was preserved as a safety net for nonworkers. The result is that Australia has increased pension provision from 40 to 90 per cent of the population but is confident that government can bear the costs.

fit claimants lose 50p for every

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Ostriches airborne

BRITISH AIRWAYS is tempting the jaded palates of airline travellers with the gamey taste of ostrich meat.
From July, ostrich steaks supplied by Australia's largest big bird farm, will be among the dishes on offer to first class passengers on North American flights. According to BA: "Ostrich is the new trendy food on dinner tables because it's low in fat and cholesterol. The hunt is now on for more exotic and unusual chef's specials."

Knotty problem

annual conference of the London Stock Exchange in chairman stood out as the only attendee in black tie. since dinner invitations stated 'dress attire: lounge suits". Tactful as ever, the Bank of England deputy govenor commented: "How democratic of the LSE to allow a waiter to sit at the top of the table in order to balance out the numbers." Kemp-Welch, who is a director of the Savoy, put his blunder down to the London hotel's rigid dress

fighting form at the Scottish

Tuning in

ADVERTISING agency HOWARD DAVIES and Bates Dorland could have a John Kemp-Welch were in number one hit on its hands mands. None too confident

after today's launch of the music that accompanies the latest Land Rover TV commercial. Within weeks of the advertisement for the Discovery model appearing, telephone lines were jammed at the agency's HQ with viewers on the hunt for that "haunting" soundtrack. Instead of SIR Alistair Grant, who returning to golden oldies, Bates Dorland commissioned musician Peter Lawlor, who

Hard lines

RAILTRACK executives are signalling for tougher employees - ones who can cope with the stress of profit centres and shareholder de-

says he drew his inspiration from wandering the streets of that their existing culture can adapt to forthcoming upheavels. Railtrack is putting job applicants through psychometric tests to examine whether they're likely to cope with the extra

tires as chairman of supermarket group Argyll next March, has a busy time ahead. Between dusting his collection of fedora hats, Sir Alistair plans to write the foreword to a new Trollope Society publication, and has the taxing task of completing his libretto for a new work by composer Peter Maxwell-Davies on the Jacobite

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This male beauty contest is an ugly spectacle

his week Britain's leading airtime buyer issued a warning to ITV. The new Sanurday night show Man O' Man, made by Anglia, will "fly like a piano", they said, presumably meaning that this noble instrument would launch itself over a cliff, flap its lid rather feebly, and then plummet doonwards, bouncing and break-ing against solid rock, with loud "boing" and "boom" noises. Two weeks into Man O' Man, it is too soon to assess the viewing figures. But as primetime Saturday prole entertainment, it is as awful as you could expect. It is more like a Yamaha organ launched over a diff, but otherwise the analogy holds quite nicely.

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Man O' Man is fronted by Chris Tarrant, and the idea is this. On a et designed to look like a nightdub (with plastic palm trees and pink waterfall), an ersatz hen night is in full swing. Three hundred

women, in their best frocks, cheer makes me weep. O tempora, o and stomp like an embryonic Dionysian riot while Tarrant introduces ten would-be ideal men on stage, for the audience to ogle. assess, and cruelly eliminate. Each contestant simpers to the camera some pre-rehearsed smoothy line such as "I wanna be your man o man," in a manner that, alas, few would confuse with sincerity. However, they choose quite novel methods of commending themselves. John Paul's ambition in life is to get his teeth fixed. Brian is a housing officer who wants to host Supermarket Sweep, Mark describes himself in terms of a toilet roll; "soft, strong and cute as a puppy" -- which is clever until you remember that lavatory paper also has a habit of running out in an

Being squeamish about such shows marks me as a fuddyduddy, but I don't care. I don't like Blind Date much; Confessions

mores, that's my kind of thing. The only good thing about Man O' Man is the charity of the audience. who generally cheer the blokes in their various preening endeavours, and refrain from hurling cocktail umbrellas even when the three finalists are revealed (Take off those dressing gowns!") to have concave chests, body hair like Wolf Man, and legs like spaghetti. I'm sure these ten good sports are equipped with titanium self-esteem, and will not require counselling for their public humiliation. But reverse the sexes, and this show would be completely unacceptable, if not () hope) illegal.

rather more sophisticated exploration of the mystery attraction was at the heart of Saturday night's stunningly good Screen Two: Captives (BBC2), beautifully directed by Angela Pope, in which Tim Roth

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and Julia Ormond met in startlingly uppropitious circumstances yet managed to fall in love. Captives sounded like a gimmick idea beautiful lady dentist succumbs to rough prison inmate, and has sex in a lavatory — but Frank Deasy's script took no easy options, the story was real and involving, and both these characters had a per-

fectly expressed emotional life

which could encompass need, ob-

session, and watery-eyed hurt. Set against the usual, clang-bolt clichés of prison drama, Captives was so fresh and subtle it singlehandedly restored one's faith in television drama. Ormond was a complex woman, a competent professional but a betrayed wife, whose dentist husband (a posh Peter Capaldi) complained that their marriage had been "like living in a bubble". Being ripped asunder from him — both husband and partner -- she was now visibly flapping at the edges. Had she been played by someone less exquisite than Ormond, the character would have been even more fascinating. "My husband had an affair," she told Roth. "She was very beautiful, apparently."

And so she turned to forbidden love with an inmate, for a variety of convincing but unstated reasons. "I'm afraid it's me using him," she told her best friend. Meanwhile Roth had the very

6.00am GMTV (9113954) 9.25 Supermarket

12.20pm Regional News (Teletext) (1876226)

12.30 News and weather (Teletext) (4601619)

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3.20 News headlines (Teletext) (7994058)

3.25 Regional News (Teletext) (7993329)

5.10 The List (9789771)

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6.50 Let's Go (301226)

3.30 Caribou Kitchen (s) (1887459) 3.40 Tols TV (r) (a) (1251110) 3.50 Old Bear Stories (7287495) 4.05 Taz-Maria (Teletext) (s) (5985077) 4.25 Tiny Toon

5.40 News and weather (Teletext) (357684)

6.25 HTV News (Teletext) (940049)

table (Taletext) (665)

6.00 Home and Away (r) (Telelext) (5)

7,00 Tonight with Richard Madeley and Judy Finnigen. The series leunches with

7.30 Coronation Street. Betty begins to get her feet under the Rovers' living-room.

8.00 World in Action (Telelext) (s) (1042)

an interview with O.J. Simpson (4042)

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difficult job of being enigmatic but still sincere, while we waited to find out that (Oh no! Not that!) he had murdered his wife in a fit of rage. Both actors gave brilliant performances. Ormond has been compared in America with Audrey Hepburn and Julia Roberts, but personally. I see bizarre flashes of Andie MacDowell - bizarre, because this is an Andie MacDowell who can act.

ast week I rather dodged my duty to No Bananas (BBC1). It was unprofessional and I apologise, but good grief, this sort of banal but respectable costume drama spews out of the telly like tickertape, as if no one has the ability to switch it off. "The No Bananas machine has

gone infernal again, sir!"

Yes!" "You mean .. !"

"Yes! Another three episodes came

Actually, whenever I start to write about No Bananas my fingers grow leaden on the keys. and my metabolism slumps to a virtual standstill. I don't blame anybody in particular. Alison Steadman is good; and the chap who plays her nice husband is lovely. But No Bananas feels like one of those children's invented stories in which things happen, and happen, and happen, and none of it challenges your imagination. The larky negative title doesn't help much, either. Surely it's a bad idea to title a television series after a cheerful acceptance of dearth, which is also (when you break it down into its component parts) a neat combination of

"Danin! Damn that No Bananas

machine! And we thought it would

be such a boon to mankind as

BBC 6. Gam Business Breakfast (81110) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (Ceefax) (52868) 9.00 Breekfast News Extra (4457771) 9,20 Style Counsel (7633232) 9.45 Kilroy (s)

(6967874) 10.30 Good Morning with Anne and Nick (91232) 12.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (1870042) 12.05 Call My Bluff (s) (5185874) 12.35pm Going for Gold (s) (4502394)

1,00 News and weather (55955) 1,30 Regional News and weather (62799868) 1,40 Neighbours (Ceetax) (s) (69210481) 2.00 FILM: Columbo: By Dawn's Early

Hight (1974) with Peter Falk and Patrick McGoohan. The perfect crime is hatched at Haynes Military Academy. Directed by Harvey Hart (Ceelax) (98874) 3.30 Pisydays (r) (s) (2539313) 3.50 Bodger and Badger (r) (s) (1262226) 4.00 Alvin and the Chipmunks (r) (6629435) 4.10 Fudge (Ceefax) (s) (5971874) 4.35 FOT (Ceefax) (s) (2908058) 5.00 Newsround (Ceefax) (r) (538507) 5.10 Blue Peter (Ceefax) (s) (638507)

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6.30 Regional News magazines (313) 7.00 That's Showbusiness. Celebrity showbusiness quiz (2874) 7,30 Watchdog Healthcheck. Toyah Willcox continues her reports on complementary

treatments with a look at trials of a Chinese remedy for eczerns. Plus a report on the damage low-fat diets can cause to children (Ceefsx) (s) (597) 8.00 EastEnders. The Fowlers are all set for an emotional reunion (Ceelax) (a) (5394) 8.30 The Liver Birds. Beryl and Sandra share

a bottle of wine and make some surprising revelations (Ceetax) (s) (7329) 9.00 News (Ceefex); regional news and eather (5139)

9.30 Penorame: The moving story of Thomas Creedon, who was born with severe brain damage which left him blind, deaf and decision to ask the High Court to allow him to die (Ceelax) (213416)

10.10 Film 96 with Berry Norman. The week's films to be reviewed include Primal Fear. a countroom drama with Richard Gere; action adventure films - Executive Decision with Kurt Russell; and Money Train, with Wesley Snipes and the controversial Kids (Caefax) (s) (230665) N.L.: 10.10 Room for Improvement

10.40 Retrospect (Ceefax) (8) (283435) N.L.: 10.40 Film 96 11.10 Omnibus 12.05 FILM: The Misfits 2.10

11.40 FILM: The Misfits (1981, b/w). Classic western drama which was to be the last film for both Clark Gable and Marilyn Monroe. A divorcée searching for the meaning of life talls for a handsome test when he begins to round up wild horses and she is forced to choose between the man she loves and her compassion for horses. Directed by John Huston (857077)

1.40am Weather (3137820)

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6,00am Open University: Engineering Mechanics (7215232) 6,25 Industrial Change

7.15 See Hear Breakfast News (4542400)

7.30 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (r) (Ceelax) (39961) 8.00 Blue Peter (r) (Ceelax) (s) (13348) 8.30 Songs of Praise (r) (Ceefax) (s) (5366348)

9.05 Daytime on Two: Zig Zag (4454684) 9.25 Movable Feasts (9864597) 9.40 Le Cate des Reves (1382067) 10.00 Play-days (2298435) 10.25 Hotch Petch House (2236684) 10.45 Look and Reed Special (1495023) 11.05 Zig Zeg: An African Country (3886077) 11.25 Revista (9463961) 11.40 Geography (8677329) 12.05pm History Collection (7076771) 12.30 Working Lunch (44706) 1.00 History File (65991042) 120 Lenginger 1.20 Landmarks — Tudors and Stuarts (65075058) 1.45 Storytime (62872145) 2.00 Brum (r) (44792665)

2.10 FILM: Stones for Iberra (1988) with Glenn Close and Keith Carradine. A drama about a couple searching for their heritage in a small Mexican village. Directed by Jack Gold (847936) 3.55 News (Ceefax) and weather (6958042) 4.00 Today's the Day (s) (226) 4.30 Ready, Steady, Cook (s) (110) 5.00 Esther (s) (7752) 8.30 The Wertime Kitchen and

Garden (r) (Ceelax) (690) 6.00 FILM: Sam Whiskey (1969) with Burt Reynolds and Angle Dickinson. Gambler Sam Whiskey is hired to carry out an

Arnold Laven (s) (14522416) 7.35 The Phil Silvers Show (b/w). Billio declines a chance to see the musical My Fair Lady (r) (448961)



Steve Jones (8,00pm)

In the Blood: Lost Tribes (Ceelax) (245348) 8.50 Building Sights: Canary Wharf. (Ceatax) (s) (296400)

9.00 The X Files. When a learn of geophysicists stationed at a remote Alaskan outpost are killed by a parasitic, alien lite form. Mulder and Scully are called in to investigate (r) (Ceelax) (s)

9.45 This Life. Warren falls in love, but when his romance turns sour he makes the decision not to live a fie. Meanwhile, Milly and O'Donnell are becoming increasingly close at work (Ceelax) (s) (604139)

10.30 Newsnight (Ceetax) (727990) 11.15 Guerrilla TV. Dan O'Brien explores the uses of the camcorder, and discovers if is being used for lar more than just recording holidays and weddings (s)

(183892) 11.45 Holiday Outlings: Colorado Skiling (r) (962355) 12.00 The Midnight Hour (s) (55068)

12.30am-6.00 The Learning Zone

In the Blood: Lost Tribes BBC2, S.DOpm

He bears the authority of a professor of genetics but abbreviates his first name and never seems to wear a tie. Steve Jones is an expert who is also one of us. He starts his series by highlighting a family which claims as cousins, albeit distant ones, both Baroness Thatcher and John Major. The scientific content is stepped up when Jones goes in

search of the lost tribes of Israel, scattered when the Assyrians invaded more than 2,000 years ago. The unlikely candidates include Yemenite Jews, black Africans and American Mormons. In trying to substitute genetics for myth. Jones goes down many intriguing byways. An accessible project is off to a strong start. But Jones's contention that everybody is related to everybody else if only you go back far enough may be taking demystification a shade too far.

Fair Game: Coaching and Poaching Channel 4, 8.00pm

Greg Dyke returns with more punchy investigations into the running of British sport. The show that got Will Carling sacked as England rugby captain after his outburst against the "57 old farts" must be worth a look. Dyke's first foray this time is into the murky business of child football stars. Hardly has a lad demonstrated that he can dribble a ball than the big clubs are after him. They are nothing if not persistent. The father of one budding genius complains that a scout cornered him in a lavatory. Small clubs claim that the big boys poach their promising youngsters, and are prepared to bend the rules to do so. Sonny Pike, a gifted 12-year-old, has been signed by lowly Leyton Orient. No other club is supposed to approach him but according to his dad most of the Premiership sides have. Video footage, secretly shot, points the finger at one of them.

Building Sights BBC2, 8.50pm

Damien Hirst, Posy Simmonds and Germaine Greer are among the contributors to a new series of short films in which celebrities enthuse about favourite buildings. Tonight's subject, the Canary Wharf Tower in the London Docklands, seems an unlikely candidate for such a project, having been reviled more for entrepreneurial greed than praised for architectural distinction. But Jools Holland likes it, even if he is so overawed by its size (i is, admittedly. Britain's tallest building) that he does not quite get round to explaining why. But Holland's quizzical and jokey style ensures an entertaining discourse in which admiration stops short of gush. The best tribute to his film is that it ends too quickly.

Omnibus: Eve Arnold in Retrospect BBC1, 10.40om

She is small and she is a woman but she is nobody's pushover. As much as through her talent behind the lens. Eve Arnold has made her reputation as a photographer by refus to be bullied, Joan Crawford tried, threatening Arnold that she would never work in Hollywood again. Margaret Thatcher was even more difficult. But War Soviet Union, apartheid South Africa and the American Black Power movement, made her tough and resourceful. Beeban Kidron's profile is an evocation rather than a straight biography. We get little about Arnold's background and only glancing references to her private life, though a son and grandson appear to sing her praises. This is a study of a cool professional with the gift for stripping away the veneer and penetrating to the essence. Peter Waymark Des O'Connor (8.30pm)

8.30 Take Your Pick, Des O'Connor is back with the show where contestants agonis over whether to "take the money" "open the box" (Teletext) (9597)

9.00 Bramwell. Robert's old friend returns to London with a new wife half his age. Robert and Eleanor become suspicious when they see her mysterious bruises (Teletext) (s) (4706) 10.00 News and weether (Teletext) (73990)

10.30 Regional News (Teleted) (197394) 10,40 West of England Business of the Year Awards. New senes of the local business competition (400431)

11.10 Sound of the City (r) (870145) 12.10 Sushell on the Box (8) (4772714)

12.40 The Big Match — Replayed (4742917) 1.30 FILM: Satisfaction (1988) with Justine Bateman, Liam Neeson and Trini Alvarado. An ambitlous tock group get their bir: break when a 1960s songwriter books them to play at his beach house. Directed by Joan Freeman (890545)

3.10 The Crime Hour (6989153) 4.05 Jones and Jury (s) (38647676) 4.30 The Time ... the Place (r) (s) (97608) 5.00 The Powers That Be (r) (66240) 5.30 Morning News (22191)

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2.20 FILM: Dentist in the Chair (1960) with Bob Monkhouse and Ronnie Stevens. British comedy about the adventures of two denial students after they have their Instruments stolen by a small-time thief. Directed by Val Guest (477706)

3.55 Australia Wild (Teletext) (8) (3584961) 4.30 Fifteen to One (Teletext) (s) (706) 5.00 The Gaby Roslin Show (r) (s) (1955) 6.00 The Cosby Show (771) 6.30 Hollycaks (Teletext) (s) (333)

7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) (286874) 7.55 Get Netted (r) (Taletext) (s) (430597)



Football agent Eric Hall (8.00pm)

8.00 CHOIGE Fair Game. (1/6) (Teletext) (s) (4232)

8.30 The Greatest. Frances Edmonds and Danny Kelly offer their opinions on tennis player Fred Perry and decathlete Daley Thompson (10/12) (Teletext) (s) (7139)

9.00 Rescue. The history of the rescue aervices continues as it returns to the Blitz to see how Civil Defence learns found and rescued survivors in the rubble of bombed buildings (5/6) (Teletext) (s)

9.30 An Inspector Calls. For senior beach inspector Steve Russell and his colleague Peter Crew, every day in Bournemouth brings its share of tomicolery, danger and tragedy (5/6) (46110) 10.00 Karaoke (3/4) (r) (Teletext) (s) (5903936)

11.05 Maradona. Profile of Diego Maradona, football's controversial superstar (r) (Teletext) (s) (291139) 12.30am The Late Late Show (s) (49530)

1.30 FILM: Hi, Nellie (1934, b/w) with Paul Muni. A newspaper managing editor is demoted to the "heart-throbs" column after mishandling the story of a defaulting banker. Directed by Mervyn LeRoy

2.50 Karacht Kops. With English subtities (5/5) (5167424) Ends at 3.20 4.00-5.15 Schools (8786527)

• For more comprehensive listings of satellite and cable channels, see the Vision supplement, published Saturday

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Sky Movies Gold takes over from 10pm

6.00am The Muppel Bables (92425684) 50 dam The Muppel Bables (92425684) 6.30 Ducktales (36935232) 7.00 Curch Altrack (87740665) 7.30 Chp n° Date (87752400) 8.00 Darkwing Duck (50680684) 8.30 Sing Me a Story with Balle (5068965) 9.00 Lamb Chop (50576435) 9.00 Lamb Chop (50576435) 9.30 Freggle Rock (54144313) 10.00 The Muppel Bables (36853684) 10.30 Poch Corner (50572619) 11.00 Undo the United Time (97903888) 11.30 Dumbo's Circus (97904637) 12.00 Watt Disney Prasents (70085428) 12.50par FILM The Witching of Ben Wagner (19573023) 2.30 Presents (70085428) 12.50pm FILM The Writching of Ben Wagner (13573023) 2.30 Making of Little Riders (45688145) 3.00 Duckhales (47852787) 3.30 Quack Affack (45683890) 4.00 Chip in Dale (4550597) 4.30 Quakwing Duck (4569548) 5.00 Boy Meets World (47657232) 5.30 Dengar Bay (45682361) 6.00 Tarzan (45686874) 6.30 Denosaris (4567232) 7.00 Zomo (47571968) 7.30 FILM: Sir Gawan and the Green knight (56719400) 9.00 Hothwood Lives (97089232) 9.30-10.00 Dinosaurs (54135665)

EUROSPORT 7.30am Artistic Gymnastics (84023) 9.00 Sports Car (91023) 10.00 International Metorsports Report (11503) 11.00 Molocycling (S7429) 1.00 Transition (57329) 2.00am Live Tennis The ATP Tour event Irom Roma, Italy (9632229) 6.00 Speedworld (89232) 7.30 Live Terms (71329) 8.30 Footbell (64684) 10.30 Europol Magazine (31446) 11.30-12.30mm Boxing (35400) SKY SPORTS

7.00em Gillette World Sport Special (18415) 7.30 World of Speed and Beauty (134) 7.38 Years and Control of Special States (24023) 8.30 Finish Line (36349) 8.30 Racing News (35619) 8.00 Aerobics Oz Spije (46771) 9.30 Super League London v Si Heters (76874) 11.30 Skift Sating (26874) 12.00 Aerobics Oz Style (39435) 12.30 pm Superbles World Championship any (55077) 2,30 World Wide Rug (89435) 4.30 World of Speed and Be (6313) 5.00 World Wrestling Federation — Mana (3787) 6.00 Sports Centre (324042) 8.05 Sports Unimited (608787) 7.00 The Winning Post Windsor and Towcester (86690) 8.30 The Story of the Fa Cup 1995/6 (75145) 10.00 Sports Centre (216110) 10.15 Bushido: The Ultimate Fight [645400] 11.15 Sports Untimited (641884) 12.15am The Story of the FA Cup 1995/6 (602269) 1.45 Max. Out (603578) 2.15-2.30 Sports Centre (9417207)

SKY SPORTS GOLD 10.00pm Bobby Charlton's Football Scrap-book (6552705) 11.30 A to Z of Sport (4267145) 12.30am-1.00 World of Jacke Stewart (7590207)

THE CHRISTIAN CHANNEL 4.00em Thought for the Day 4.05 Worship 4,15 Kids TV 4.38 Voice of Faith 5.00 Voice of Victory 5.20 Christian Music TV 5.45 - Yesterday Today 800 Foreye

SKY SOAP 7.00mm Guiding Light (8456503) 7.55 As the World Turns (2488936) 8.50 Peyron Place (7791690) 9.20 Days of Our Lives (1486110) 10.10-11.00 Another World

SKY TRAVEL 11.00am Globetrotter (6689668) 11.30 Independent Travellers Gurde (4882042) 12.30pm Bruce and Bob (3363868) 1.30 Getthway (9010526) 1.30 Great Escapes (3361139) 2.00 Trakside (4360145) 2.30 Dive the World (9735619) 3.00 Glober 1758 (4276752) 3.30 Around the World (7920936) 3.55-4.00 Hotela, Shop



Adolf Hitter: A profile of the Führer (Discovery 9.00pm)

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

4.00pm The Most Decorated. The Dough-boys An account of the American soldiers in Europe cluring the First World War (6776348) 5.00 We War At One: A colcurbil portrail of the Cockney way of life (4363232) 6.00-7.00 Biography: H G. Wells (3443787) THE SCI-FI CHANNEL

7.00pm The Tomonow People (4364961)

7.30 Captam Power and the Soldiers of the Future (9543684) 8.00 Starman (9520868) 8.00 Cuter Limits (9508232) 18.00 Close 1.00am The Sir Million Dollar Man (9117627) 2.00-4.00 Fil.M. The Andromeda Strain (2962337)

9.80em Sarroly Painting (1728503) 9.30 Grow with Joe (7687225) 16.00 Dogs with Durbor (5574135) 16.30 Our House (722787) 11.00 Room for Improvement (6123868) 11.30 Crathwise (6124597) 12.00 Julia Child (1642139) 12.30pm The Frugal Gourmal (7681042) 1.00 Yan Can Cook (7585435) 1.30 Firmiture to Go (7880313) 2.00 Cur House (1859394) 2.20 The Garden Stroir (1889481) 3.00 it's a Ver's Life (1941329) 3.30-4.00 This Old House

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7.00mm Rentaghost (7492394) 7.30 Neighbours (7584324) 8.00 Sons and Deughees (1634110) 8.30 EastEnties (1633481) 9.00 The Biff (772051) 9.30 The Sufferns (7689684) 10.00 Kessler (7400313) 11.00 (769694) 10.00 Kesser (740313) 11.30 Fullsbye (5125229) 11.30 Gibberish (7411-16) 12.05 pm. Sons and Daughters (55327787) 12.30 Meghbous (7633400) 1.00 EastEnders (5137418) 1.35 Sylas (8652972) 2.15 Man About the House (7799619) 2.50 Three Up. Two Down (9107394) 1.30 The Bis (1895694) 4.00 Shifts (5127918) 8.00 East Sanod 8707.284) 13:00 The HB (1895.084) About Minder (\$212705) 8.00 Every Second Courts (7717874) 5.45 'Abo 'Abo 'Abo i R215706) 6.25 ExcEnces (427522) 7.00 The Two Romes (2053.685) 8.00 Existy Bud Published (1850.23) 9.00 Casalely (2165.077) 10.00 The But (462.6587) 10.35 The Best of 1017 Experience of the 1462.6587) 10.35 The Best of 1017 Experience of the 1462.6587) 10.35 The Best of 1017 Experience of the 1462.6587 10.35 The December 1201. (588329) 11.20 Ceptal City (499597) 12.20am FUM Across Ire Wids Missour [1614500] 1.20-2.20 Stopping (2202088)

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7.00pm Different Strokes (2058) 7.30 Entertainment Tompht (5684) 8.00 Benson (1706) 8.30 Wings (7313) 9.00 Scap (3023) 9.30 Tod (72584) 18.00 Entertainment Tonight (36706) 19.30 Comitate Night (39313) 12.30mm Scap (59172) 1.00 Tad (58240) 1.30 Laveme and Shrifey (80266) 2.00 Entertainment Tonight (30789) 2.30 London Underground (80066) 3.00-4.00 Saturday Night Live (22172) 4.00 Saturday Night Live (22172) LIK LIVING

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FAMILY CHANNEL 5.00pm Road to Avoniea (7145) 8.00 Batman (8936) 8.30 Catchphrase (5416) 7.00 Tinida Pursur (8874) 7.30 The Fall Guy (15400) 8.30 Duty Free (3329) 9.00 Stay Lucky (13510) 10.00 Round the World Treasure Huni (14597) 11.00 Neon Ridar 1763517 HURY (1997) 1 JUN 18901 HURY (19438) 12:00 The Fall Guy (84665) 1,00em Belman (94066) 1,30 All Together Now (41462) 2:00 Beg Brother Jáser (43575) 230 Neon Rober (51202) 3:30 All Together Now (48462) 4:20-5:00 Road to Avonica (14789)

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CNN/QVC CNN provides 24-hour news and CVC is the home shopping channel. PERFORMANCE

4,00 Hanging Dut (16868) 5,30 Dal MTV (3481) 6,00 Soap Dish (4874) 6,30 Road Rules (7874) 7,00 HIL List LIX (74384) 9,00 MTV Live in Amsterdam (85597) 9,30 Amour (88232) 16,30 The State (72110) 7.00cm Maynard Ferguson 8.00 Aria 8.30

HE TIMES MONDAY

BUSINESS

Barings chiefs to tell how Leeson went undetected



Tuckey: bonus hopes

Top firms

back older

employees

LEADING employers to-day launch a campaign to

ban age discrimination

amid warnings about the

cost of releasing older

A collection of 18 top

organisations — including

British Airways, British Telecom, Marks & Spen-

cer and Sainsbury's -have joined together to

form the Employers Fo-

The group gave warning

that firms were realising

the cost of making older

workers redundant - in

early retirement payments

as well as the loss of

experience and reliability.

Governor of the Bank of

England and chairman of

the forum, said that many employers had simply re-

moved employees aged 50

or more from their staff as

a way of cutting their

He said: "Older employ-

ees have thus got the

message that they are seen as dispensable and less valuable than younger

The forum reported that

a B&Q store in Maccles-

field, Cheshire, staffed en-

tirely by older staff, was 18

per cent more profitable

than other stores, and that

workers in their 20s at WH

Smith are four times as

likely to leave as older

workforce.

Howard Davies, Deputy

rum on Age.

THE four most senior executives running Barings at the time of the £860 million crash are set to give the first public account of how and why they failed to detect Nick Leeson's fraudulent trading. On Wednesday, members of the Commons Treasury Select Committee will quiz Peter Baring, former chairman of the merchant bank, Andrew Tuckey, his deputy, Peter Norris, the chief executive officer and Geoffrey Barnett, previously chief operating officer, over their failure to prevent one of the biggest

banking frauds ever.
The MPs, headed by Sir Tom Arnold. are also expected to press the four executives for details of their salaries and bonuses which were based largely

East money markets.

Of the four, only Mr Barnett has been exonerated after an investigation by the Securities and Futures Authority (SFA). As a result of the inquiry Mr Baring agreed never to work in the City again and Mr Tuckey agreed to play a restricted role. Last week Mr Norris was suspended from senior SFA registers for three years with E10,000 costs. Clive Betts, committee member and Labour MP for Sheffield Attercliffe, said: "We want to know who was supposed to be in control of the bank and who was responsible for failing to spot that something was terribly wrong. Was it negligence or incompetence, or was it a case of turning a blind eye? We will also be

on Leeson's perported success on Far asking the directors whether they East money markets. fraudulent trading profits." The MPs are expected to question

Mr Tuckey on his position as a consultant with ING, the Dutch banking and insurance group that bought Barings. Last year, soon after the Barings crash, Mr Tuckey resigned. He was subsequently taken on again by ING Barings as a corporate finance consultant working on large deals, such as the £6 billion Lloyds Bank takeover of TSB. As a result of these successes Mr Tuckey was reported to be in line for bonus-enhanced remuneration of up to £500,000.

At the end of March this year, ING Barings let it be known that Mr Tuckey, 52, had retired on an annual

pension of around £120,000 plus a retainer of about £110,000. In 1993 Mr Baring was paid a salary of £212,000 plus a profit share of £1 million and a £30,000 pension contribution. The next highest paid director, believed to be Mr Tuckey, earned £237,000 salary, a bonus of £1.4 million and a pension contribution of £34,000.

The Treasury Committee, which is conducting its own inquiry, will also question the four on the apparent discrepancies between the two official reports by the Singapore authorities and the independent Board of Banking Supervision. The bank's management were criticised in both investigations but the Singapore report accused the Barings executives of "institutional



Baring: no City job

Strike ballot prompted by pay and conditions package

Post chief offers more cash

By Philip Bassett, industrial editor

THE chief executive of the Post Office today urges postal workers to reject strike action in a ballot starting this morning and offers the prospect of more money in new talks with the main postal union to avert the Post Office's first national strike of the 1990s.

The call from John Roberts comes ahead of an announcement by the Government this week of plans for new investment in the Post Office's

expanding counters business. Voting on the first national Post Office strike since 1988 begins today in a ballot over pay, productivity, hours and working practices. Leaders of the Communication Workers' Union, who are recommending strike action, are confident that the traditionally loyal postal members of the CWU will vote for action.

But in advance of the vote. Mr Roberts, chief executive of the Post Office, has appealed to the CWU's 140,000 members being balloted to reject a strike. Speaking to The Times, he said: "My message to our employees today is to look very carefully at this issue. We are prepared to do more in the negotiations — and put more money on the table."

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concluded, saying: "It is irresponsible for the union to walk away in this way." He attacked the union for what he calls the stark wording of the simp-le question on today's ballot paper - "Are you prepared to take part in industrial action consisting of a strike?" - for failing to provide union members with full details of the issue in dispute.

In a complex package called Employee Agenda, the Royal Mail is proposing changes in working practices and pay, offering to draw together allowances and other payments in a move which the Post Office says will lead to 15 per cent pay rises for some staff, plus shorter hours, a job security guar-antee and productivity payments in return for changedworking patterns, including teamworking. CWU leaders say 30 per cent of postal workers affected will lose

money under the proposals. Mr Roberts says a dispute is avoidable "if we can get the union back, really sorting out and listening to what we can put forward".

The Post Office leader will describe the dispute as a great pity when he speaks today to the National Federation of Sub-Posimasters annual con-He criticised the CWU for ference in Eastbourne. He will moving to a strike ballot bepraise the performance of Post fore negotiations had been Office Counters -- the one part of the Post Office given some prester commercial freedom by the Government last year and will claim that its success, which will include a declaration of profits next month, underlines the Post



John Roberts said management is prepared to do more in the negotiations and to put more money on the table

be given greater freedom within the public sector.

Support for the Post Office will be given by the Government when Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary, addresses the same conference on Wednesday. Mr Lilley is expected to announce which of three companies will win a £1.5 billion contract to autom-

to allow the payment of social security benefits by computer.

But hopes of a settlement of the dispute before any strike action were underlined yesterday when the CWU echoed the call for more talks, although neither the union nor the Royal Mail is likely to make any move until the result of the strike ballot is declared at the

Office's contention that it can ate 20,000 Post Office counters union's annual conference in working proposals, and let's

Blackpool on June 2 Alan Johnson, CWU joint general secretary, said the union was willing to talk, but he insisted that the conditions put on the working practices package by the Royal Mail were "unacceptable". Speaking on GMTV, he told the Post Office: *Drop your unacceptable conditions in relation to the way of

talk about a meaningful improvement in the terms and

conditions of our members." Mr Johnson, a key trade union supporter of Tony Blair, the Labour leader, not only denied that a dispute in the Post Office would be embarrassing for Labour, but went further, urging Labour to keep out of

Jump in interest rates predicted

BASE rates could leap to 812 per cent by the end of next year as monetary authorities counter a resurgence in inflation, a City economist says today.

A vigorous recovery in con-sumer confidence, boosted by a series of cash windfalls and faster wage growth will prompt the Bank of England to urge a significant tightening of monetary policy. As a result, base rates could

rise sharply from the present level of 6 per cent and the first act of a new government may be to order an unpopular increase in the cost of borrowing, said Richard Jeffrey, group economist at Charterhouse. Said Mr Jeffrey: "We contin-

ue to believe that the Chancellor will be forced to acquiesce to higher base rates later this year and that they will rise substantially higher next year, whoever wins the election." In spite of this, Charterhouse still believes that the possibility exists of a sharp rise in inflation in the second half of 1997.

Mr Jeffrey expects consumer spending — up 2.3 per cent in 1995 — to rise 3.2 per cent this year and 4.1 per cent in 1997. Consumer confidence will be underpinned by tax cuts, an improving housing market, and building society windfalls takeovers and flotations. "If our forecasts prove correct, the consumer will never have had it so good; at least, not in the 1990s," said Mr Jeffrey. Charterhouse believes that

the Government will achieve its inflation target of 2½ per cent by the next election. However, faster wage growth and rising commodity prices are gr pected to push it to 4 per cent by the end of 1997. Mr Jeffrey has forecast, with pressure on retail prices building up in the sec-ond half of next year.

Consumer demand will also fuel faster growth in output, according to Charterhouse, with GDP rising 3.2 per cent this year and 3.6 per cent in 1997, against actual growth of just 2.5 per cent for 1995. ☐ Michael Hepher, formerly

group managing director of British Telecom, is to become chief executive of Charterhouse, it was confirmed vesterday: Mr Hepher, who takes up his post on July I, was chair-man and chief executive of Lloyds Abbey Life, the insurance group, before joining BT.

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Lucas restructures pension fund

By PHILIP PANGALOS

THE Lucas Pension Scheme, which controls £3 billion of assets, has completed a radical restructuring of its pension fund, involving a substantial reduction in its exposure to UK equities.

In the largest transaction of its kind undertaken in the UK pensions market, Lucas Pensions Investment Management has reshaped the fund's asset structure, involving a build-up in overseas equities, particularly in emerging markets. Alan Rubenstein, a director

of Lucas Pensions Investment Management, said: "One of our major aims was to increase our emerging market exposure, where we expect continued strong growth correlation believe this will enhance re-

By CLARE STEWART

PROTESTORS threaten to

disrupt Shell's annual share-

holders' meeting this week as

the oil group faces renewed

criticism over its activities in

nance consultancy, is urging shareholders to reject the

report and accounts in order

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Shell has come under fire

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turns and reduce volatility, thus improving members security."

Overseas equities formerly represented only 6 per cent of the protfolio. Now 20 per cent is invested in developed overseas markets and a further 10 per cent in emerging markets. A series of trades was car-

ried out over March, April and May by Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs. Morgan Stanley acted as transaction co-ordinator. However, the pension fund

was unable to complete the proposed reduction of a 6.11 per cent shareholding in Lucas Industries itself. This was put off for the time being because of concern that it would have coincided with speculation surrounding Lucas.

British Gas holds key to price peace

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY

COMPETITION in domestic gas and the connection of millions of households who do not yet have gas could be at risk if British Gas rejects today's pricing reviews.

A stand-off between the two sides appears inevitable as Ofgas, the industry watchdog. gears up to impose sweeping price controls that will trim British Gas's revenue by about £300 million and shave about £25 a year from individual gas bills.

Last-minute talks between Clare Spottiswoode, the gas regulator, and TransCo, the pipeline business of British Gas which will face new price curbs next year, are thought to have failed to breach a huge impasse between the two. TransCo is claiming that suffi-

circulated last week to its

clients, PIRC urged them to

reject the report and accounts

because, it says, "we have

serious reservations about the

Shell Group's policies in rela-

tion to the environment and human rights as set out in the

report and accounts and we

do not consider its response to

shareholder concerns has

Voting against the accounts

will also mean rejecting the proposed dividend. "It is out-

rageous that Shell can bundle two issues together," says Alan MacDougall, joint man-

Just a day before PIRC sent

out its report, Shell proposed

a plan of action in Ogoniland.

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aging director of PIRC.

cient investment in pipeline safety, maintenance and expansion, will not be possible under the Ofgas proposals. This could jeopardise the smooth operation of competition in household gas, set for nationwide introduction by 1998 and reduce the chances of 4 million more homes having gas. It is thought TransCo would be unlikely to commit itself to new investment if it felt it was not getting a commercial rate of return. Large parts of Scotland, Fast Anglia, the South West and Kent and Sussex are without

lan Powe, of the Gas Consumers Council, said: "We don't know what is coming but alarm bells are ringing at British Gas."

Protest planned at Shell meeting

clean up all spills made since 1993, when it pulled out, and to make safe its facilities. It also promises to restart community initiatives and look at new projects such as youth training and healthcare

ing oil production in the area. The priority, says Shell, is to

in the region. "These proposals demonstrate our commitment to reconciliation," says Brian Anderson, managing director of Shell Pe-Development Company of Nigeria. "It is vital we have the support of the commu-nities in which we work."

Shell Transport and Trading, whose chairman is John Jennings, said it had not received any shareholder resolutions regarding its activities in Nigeria.



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Jump in interest

and anger at Peres IN JEHUSALUM predicted

RIGHT-WING Israeli opposi-tion parties branded Operation Grapes of Wrath, the Labour Government's 17-day military onslaught on Lebanon, a failure yesterday as Iranian-backed Hezbollah fighters wounded five Israeli soldiers in two attacks in occupied southern Lebanon. They were the first Jewish casualties since the Washing-

ton-brokered ceasefire ended the recent round of Middle East fighting.
Within hours of the attacks.

Israeli and South Lebanon Army artillery pounded Hezbollah targets north of the security zone and Israeli warplanes were back in action for the first time since the ceasefire, firing rockets in two runs over suspected Hezbollah bases in the Mleeta hills in the mountainous Iqlim al-Toufah area.

With just over two weeks to go until voting in Israel's bitterly contested general election, the resumption of violence along the last active Arab-Israeli war front appears likely to become a central

The right-wing parties had previously castigated Shimon Peres, the Prime Minister who has a narrow lead in the opinion polls — for allegedly caving in to international criticism and ending the operation, in which more than 160 Arabs — most of them civilians — were killed, too soon.

The main right-wing opposition Likud Party issued a statement which disregarded the fact that the ceasefire secured by Warren Christopher, the US Secretary of State, did not rule out terrorist attacks on Israeli troops in the nine-mile-wide occupied "security zone" in southern

It said the attacks, in which three officers and two enlisted men were wounded, proved Mr Peres's "failure in the Grapes of Wrath Operation". One of those hurt, a major,



Hezbollah attacks

spark fresh raids

Netanyahu: offering greater security

was said to be in a serious

Likud's leader, Binyamin Netanyahu, a former Israeli commando, is running only five points behind Mr Peres. The party's main platform is to offer Israelis more security. The statement added: "Peres has said that the understandings with Hezbollah (The Party of God) would last until the elections. The reality is

Former General Rafael Eitan, Israel's Chief of Staff at the time of the ill-fated 1982 invasion of Lebanon, whose

Arabs urge withdrawal

The leaders of Israel's main Arab peace partners — Egypt, Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organisation — met in Cairo yesterday and urged Israel to withdraw from all occupied Arab territory and renounce ideas of expansion and domination (Christopher Walker writes).

President Mubarak, King Husain and Yassir Arafat also said in a communiqué that recent violence in the Middle East — a reference to laracl's 17-day onslaught on Lebanon — should not distract people from the goal of peace. The three agreed to meet again after the May 29

is running in an electora alliance with the Likud, said esterday's attacks on a mobile patrol and military outpost proved that the ceasefire agreement had given Hezbollah "the edge" over Israeli troops in Lebanon.

The attacks shocked many Israelis who had hoped that there would be a limited period of calm on the frontline between Lebanon and northern Israel. They highlighted the fragile nature of the ceasefire secured by Mr Christopher after his week-long mission last month.

Under the document, to which no signatures were attached, Hezbollah and Israel agreed not to attack civilian targets. But Israel retained the right to respond in "self defence" if its soldiers were attacked inside the occupied buffer zone which they patrol along with their client force, the South Lebanon Army. whose troops were attacked twice last week by Hezbollah. who killed one man.

Similar retaliatory attacks to those yesterday, in which Lebanese civilians were allegedly killed earlier this year, prompted Hezbollah to fire Katyusha rockets into Israel's northern towns and villages. That sparked off the tit-for-tat of violence which swiftly became Operation Grapes of

Many Israeli hardliners criticised the Government for not backing up its aerial and artillery offensive with ground attacks up to the banks of the Litani River, about 12 miles northern border.

Uri Dromi, the chief Israeli Government spokesman, warned that Israeli forces would take all "necessary action" against Hezbollah terrorists, without spelling out what that could entail. Political commentators said Mr Peres would be under heavy pressure to take more concerted military action against Hezbollah if Jewish casualties



teams evacuate wounded troops after one of yesterday's Hezboliah onslaughts. Israel responded with artillery and jet attacks

Hariri insists peace with Israel is inevitable

FROM MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN REIRUT

DESPITE the Hezbollah attack on Israeli forces in southern Lebanon yesterday and Israeli warplanes flying over Beirut for the first time since last month's ceasefire, Rafik Hariri, the Lebanese Prime Minister, insisted that peace between his country and Israel

However, he said: "Israel has to make a tremendous effort, several rimes more than before the last aggression to convince the Lebanese they really want peace." He added:

"There is no other choice." Mr Hariri, a self-made billionaire who has invested heavily in Lebanon's reconstruction, will today urge Malcolm Riskind and other European foreign ministers in Brussels to become more involved in the Middle East to complement American peace efforts.

"We're not trying to play the game between Europe and the US," he said. What we will do is ask Europe to play more of a role in the region. Lebanon and Europe are vitally connected in many ways. If there is pollution off Beirut for instance, its effects will be felt in Italy." He was confident that an interna-

tional committee being established to monitor last month's ceasefire would work. "No one wants an escalation now," said Mr Hariri, 50, in the relaxed atmosphere of the Koreiten Palace, his three-storey sandstone residence in central west Beirut.

Yesterday's violence did not violate the terms of last month's ceasefire because neither side targeted civilians, but it emphasised the fragility of the agreement and increased the pressure on Shimon Peres, the Israeli Prime Minister, in the run-up to elections at the end of the month.

Mr Hariri implied that their outcome would make little difference to Lebanon: "From what Peres says, he is committed to peace, but made war. [Binyamin] Netanyahu is talking about peace in his own way. The Lebanese people are asking what can Likud do more than the Labour Party did to them."

The Lebanese Prime Minister insisted that Hezbollah could only be neutralised if Israeli forces withdrew from southern Lebanon and was adamant that the Lebanese Army could then guarantee security along israel's northern border. "The Israeli occupation gives Hezbollah political cover to operate as an armed group,

sion made Hezbollah stronger. Israel announced with their big military machine they would destroy Hezbollah and they failed."

There was a triumphant tone in the Hezboliah camp after the first Israeli casualties. "One Israeli truck was completely destroyed and a tank damaged," a spokesman in Beirut said. "All the Israelis on the patrol were injured. Our fighters showered them with bullets and rockets."

Asked if he would ever deliver his conciliatory message to the Israelis in Jerusalem, Mr Hariri laughed: "They can see me on CNN. They don't need to see my face." He added: "The Israelis have to show they are really committed to peace. Ask them to withdraw from my country. Don't ask me to go to the

Gibraltar voters grow weary of 'autocratic' chief

FROM TUNKU VARADARAJAN IN GIBRALTAR

GIBRALTAR could have a government more conciliatory to Spain within days as Joe Bossano, the colony's independent-minded Chief Minister. faces the prospect of an election defeat.

Polls predict that voters on Thursday could hand a narrow victory to the Gibraltar Social Democrats, spurning Mr Bossano's Gibraltar Socialist Labour Party for the first time since 1988.

Disillusionment with Mr Bossano appears to have reached beyond the middle classes, who have usually opposed him, and spread to many working-class Gibraltarians. Many have grown weary of the Chief Minister's confrontational style, which has soured relations with the Foreign Office, and complain that he rules Gibraltar like an

Mr Bossano has also suffered from criticism over the smuggling of tobacco by fast launch to Spain. Although he clamped down on the illegal trade in July last year, ordinary Gibraltarians were dismayed by their government's failure to act more quickly. Yet it would be an error to

under-estimate the charismatic Mr Bossano, who is an agile prator and addresses crowds only in the Andalusian-accented Spanish widely spoken in Gibraltar. Peter Caruana, the Social Democrat challenger. soeaks English in a Home Counties accent and appears awkward campaigning. Mr Bossano has reduced his

campaign to one emotive issue: the future of Gibraltar. He has promised to begin moves to decolonise Gibraltar "the day after the elections". He wants the colony to move to a "free association" with Britain, which would control only Gibraltar's foreign affairs and defence. The Treaty of Utrecht appears to rule out independence, but Mr Bossano believes that "free association" will satisfy the wishes of the Gibraltarians for selfdetermination.

The Social Democrats are in favour of direct talks between Gibraltar and Madrid. Peter Montegrisso, the party's deputy leader, said: "Whereas Gibraltar's sovereignty is not negotiable, we have to talk sensibly to Spain because our future economic cohesion is at





Phoolan Devi, the "Bandit Queen", arrives in Delhi to take her seat as P. V. Narasimha Rao greets new MPs

Leaders unite to thwart Hindu zealots

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN DELHI

INDIA inched closer towards the formation of a centre-left government last night as leading politicians united behind a drive to stop Hindu extremists taking power. The Congress Party, mauled in last week's election but still big enough to be kingmaker. looks set to participate in a fragile new partnership.

P.V. Narasimha Rao, the outgoing Prime Minister, faces a leadership challenge soon after a new government takes office. His party's gov-erning body yesterday decided against raising the leadership question for the time being to focus on stopping the hardline Bharatiya

Janata Party (BJP) from forming a government. The BJP, the largest party in the new parliament, because of its anti-Muslim record, although it presented a moderate image for the election to capture middle-of-the-road Hindu votes.

Among the new MPs is Phoolan Devi, the "Bandit Queen", a former gangleader and alleged multiple killer. She captured the impoverished Mirzapur constitu in the centre of the Hindi heartland in a vote that represented a rise in the tide of lowcaste political power. Mr Rao was unanimously re-elected parliamentary lead-

saving their challenge for another day. The National parties, which looks likely to take power, dropped its objection to doing any deal with Congress while Mr Rao was leader. The alliance regards him as the discredited leader of a corrupt governon the understanding that Mr Rao would face an early leadership challenge, cleared

the way for a pact.

The National Front-Left Front hopes to be in a position to go to President Sharma today to try to prove it can command a parliamentary majority with support from Congress. With Congress's backing it would command a solid parliamentary majority. while the BJP and its few small allies remain substan tially short of a majority.

Jyoti Basu, the Communist Chief Minister of West Bengal, and a leading contender for Prime Minister, met President Sharma on Saturday to stake a claim to power on behalf of the National Front-Left Front He was given 48 hours to prove his majority. The President's decision on who will be invited to form the government is likely to be made after parliament assembles this week.

Girl sues school over race quota

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

FOR more than 360 years glittering symbol for American education but the school which spawned Benjamin Franklin, Joseph Kennedy and Leonard Bernstein is now at the centre of an acrimonious national debate over affirmative action At its heart is Julia

McLaughlin, the 13-year-old daughter of an alumnus who is suing Boston for turning her away from the gates of America's oldest school because she is white. Founded on a British model by the city's settlers in 1635, Boston Latin requires that its pupils endure a stringent admissions examination. Under a court ruling more than 20 years ago, however, the city requires that 35 per cent of the school's 2,300 places be reserved for blacks

and Hispanics Although Ms McLaughlin, who sat the exam last year, achieved better results than 149 of her peers who were accepted by the school, she was rejected because of the required minority quota.
"She lives in this city. She

had the grades and the scores. She deserves to be there," said Michael McLaughlin, her father who is handling the suit from his legal practice in Boston. The case has become a

became a symbol for white resistance to school desegrega tion in the 1970s. Ironically Judge Arthur Garrity, who was vilified by Boston's white community for introducing minority quotes in 1974 and ensuring that black and white children were sent to desegre gated schools far from their homes, is handling the McLaughlin suit.

Judge Garrity has indicated that he may order that Ms McLaughlin be admitted to Boston Lann next year.

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MAJCACHER This year's Leopold Müller Concert (7.30pm) is both a collaboration of Australia malannium and a commemoration of the centenary of Anton Bruckner's death. The country's leading choirs, A Cappella Chor Villac and Concentus Vokelis Klagenfurt, join the Academy of London under Richard Stamp in a programme that includes Mozart's Symphony No 10, Gran Parista, and Stuckner's Mass No 2 Earlier in and Bruchner's Mass No 2 Eurlier in the day (Jorn), the American sopratio Barbere Bonney, with Malcolm Martineau at the piano, gives a recital of songs by Robert and Clara Schumann issued as Gussav and Alms Marker St John's, Smith Square, London SW1 (0171-222 1061).

WHAT HOW, LITTLE WANT: Anto Dobson plays the mother in a revival of Hum Fatson's Name Mann, Wi≤ Nun?: life in Germany in the last day's

Gish, Sophie Thompson in an excellent staging of Sondheim's bittersweet musical on meninge, pro and contra. Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (0171-389 1730). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed and Sat 30m

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pilars of society. Gerrick, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (0171-494 5085). Mon-Fn, 7.45pm, Sat, 8.15pm, mats Wed, 2.30pm, Sat, 5pm D MIND MALLE FOR ME Laure D MIND MALLE FOR ME Laure Management Franciscus descriptions District season of Englesch's classic farce Occupe-to: d'Améric Peter Hail direct a spiendid cast led by Felicity Kendal Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1

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before Hitler's takeover, told in narrative and a cappella song, Margarete Forsyth directs Julian Forsyth's edeptation directmentals, Courte Hit, SE10 (0181-856 7755) Operas tongot, 7pm. Then Mon-Set 7.45pm, met Set 2.30pm

ELSEWHERE BRIGHTON: Today's events at the Brighton Femous Include a gus-rectal by Richard Thompson (Bpm), the screening of Sargel Elsensten's 1938 Instancia opic Alexander Nevsky (7 45pm) and a new production by Opera Restor'd of John Frederick Lampe's satirical The Dragon of Wantley (7 30pm). Highlights in the forthcoming www.include.incommer.darca from Candido (poncorons-Thur) and the (7 Jupin). Higherits in the tomocrams mass include incomment darcs from CarnioCo (annonon-Trust and the Trishs Brown Company (Fn. Set) Opera Box gress Strauss is Die Federmaus (tomocrow) while Ditys Hamlett directs Michael Frys adaptation of Tess of the D'Urbernilles (Fn-reed Tue) Federal Biss offices (D1273 709708) for

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Apollo, Shathestoury Avenue, W1 (0171-494 5070). Now previowing, 8pm; mats Thurs (16) 3pm, Set (18) 5pm Oners May 20, 7pm.

TARTUFFE Isn McDlemme and Tom Hollender marvellously lunny in Jonathan Kent's production of Molière's tart cornedy on religious folles Abzelda, Almeida St. N1 (0171-359 4404). Mon-Sat 8pm; met 8et 4pm. 5 LONG RUNNERS

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n operatic revival even better than the original - casting tweaked up a notch, staging

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significantly developed, light ing as painstaking as before - is one of the most inspiriting of experiences. When David Alden's Ariodante production was new three years ago it was predictably controversial, but - for me, at least - devised a convincing 20th-century theatrical vocabulary to articulate one of Handel's grandest heroic operas. He was certainly helped, then as now, by Ian MacNeil's atmospheric set and Wolfgang Göbbel's exquisite lighting, which deserves a notice all of its own.

Yet there were certain problems, not

least the deployment of dozens of chairs in slow motion, which became something of a standing joke among the operatic chattering classes. Well, Alden has come back and the chairs have gone. There are many other changes, all in the interest of simplify-ing the staging, of sharpening the force with which it shows the devastating effect on a family and society at large of a single act of treachery. It also suggests — as Handel and his librettist - that this family and society to a certain extent deserve what's coming to them, and are purged and strengthened by the experience. The bleakly stated Unhappy End of 1993 has been

adjusted to a rather more Open End. Michael Keegan-Dolan's new choreography is all gain, from the celebra-tory ballet at the end of the first act, in which nothing is quite what it seems, to the hair-raising close of the second, with its child-abuse, fruit-abuse (there must be 200 apples hurtling about the stage) and indeed ballerina-abuse. But Handel was writing music to describe

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Ginevra's worst dreams and this is, quite rightly, a total nightmare. Joan Rodgers, new as Ginevra, presents the heroine's plight vividly, over-disdainful of her unwelcome suit-

or at the opening, tragically uncomprehending when accused of sleeping with him and sentenced to death. She is, of course, the perfect Handel soprano, the brightness of her tone complemented by a glowing warmth at its centre. Also new is Gwynne Howell as her father, adding to his King Mark and Rocco a third formidable interpretation for ENO this season. The grave beauty of his singing sits beside uncommon dramatic insight.

Otherwise the cast is substantially as before: Ann Murray taking amazing risks with tone-colour and phrasing to explore every facet of Ariodante's character (her "Scherza, infida" stops the heart as well as the show); Lesley Garrett going on a long journey as Dalinda, from young, starchy Mrs Danvers via alarming lubriciousness to True Love: Christopher Robson a villain in primary colours. Paul Nilon's Lurcanio sounded uncomfortable with some nippy speeds from Ivor Bolton in the pit, and I wonder whether the unremittingly silky string tone Bolton favours does Handel full justice - my one doubt about an evening of poleaxing musico-dramatic power.

RODNEY MILNES



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CONCERTS: The glorious sound of visitors from Vienna; plus, the RPO celebrates Czech music

Philharmonia Philharmonic underlined something obvious but easy to overlook during an average London season: the magnetic allure of autocratic conductors and glamorous orchestras. For better and worse, both have become endangered species on our concert plat-forms, and a capacity audi-ence paid inflated prices to hear the two in rare conjunc-

tion at the Festival Hall. The VPO, here for the last of three London concerts in its 1995-96 European Series, has, of course, a uniquely luxurious all its rivals. Muti's charisma guarantees viscerally exciting performances, and together they make a powerful musical alliance. This concert paired Mozart and Bruckner, composers central to Viennese tradition. With his Italian temperament, Muti has not always seemed a "natural" in this repertory, but here he shaped two inspiring perfor-

munces. Although Muti's Mozart makes no concessions towards

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"period" manners, his account of the Symphony No 34 in C, K338, was classical in the best far from stodgy, it had refinement but was never too smooth. Indeed, the outer movements were full of tension that showed how the composer in his last Salzburg symphony was anticipating the music of his Vienna years. From the silken sound of its strings at the opening, the orchestra played with lambent beauty, and woodwind solos rippled on the surface. Muti let the serenade-like Andante flow lightly, drew sprung

rhythms in the finale, and ensured — by listening intently and reacting to the players that the music sounded spontaneous and free.

Perhaps even Muti is mellowing: his highly-charged interpretation of Bruckner's Seventh was not so hot-headed as to threaten the spiritual dimension of the work. At moments he stopped conducting, allowing the players to indulge their Viennese sound. But he built the first movement up in broad, striding phrases towards climaxes of

shattering power. out. He brought shimmering delicacy to the opening bars of the outer movements, stressed the dark colours of the Adagio. and revelled in the organ-like sonorities of the combined woodwind and brass. Much of the playing came close to perfection, but small lapses of ensemble brought reminder that the men of the VPO — the orchestra remains all-male are also fallible.

JOHN ALLISON

Passionate voices

S ir Charles Mackerras's greatest service to Czech music has been in opening our ears to the voice of Janáček. Thursday's Royal Philharmonic performance of the Sinfonietta was live with all those shifting, throbbing movements of animate and inanimate life: an invisible bandstand of brass soloists. unquiet spirits chattering in the Castle, tuba, bass clarinet and cor anglais chanting in His keen, meticulous ear for the Monastery. And everyminutely sentient commingling in celebration of Jana-

cek's home town of Czech self-determination, of human life itself.

niece was made of sterner stuff. Twenty years on, another great war was smouldering even in the ashes of the first: Martinu's Double Concerto for two string orchestras. timpani and plano was, ironically, completed on the very day of the signing of the

RPO/Mackerras Barbican

notorious Munich Agree-

ment. All Martinu's worst fears would be realised. And they are all compressed into these three movements which, in the fingers and bows of the RPO's fine strings, sustained the tension set up by Mackerras in the Neo-Baovthms of

first movement. We had been led in gently. Before the interval Dvořak had ruled: first in a stylish performance of the Scherzo Capriccioso, then in Ida Haendel's performance of the Violin Concerto, At 72. Haendel still has the highest heels and the fiercest how in the business: writing which had daunted the great Jo-achim held no fears for her.

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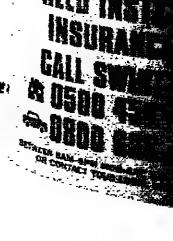
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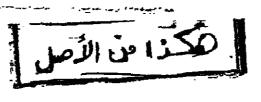
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with the serenity of what it achieved. The screeching rows between Monroe and Miller supplement the details provided in his own After the Fall, but, though their conflict is a major element in the story, it is by no means the only one. played by Lisa Eichhorn, is the spine of the play: it opens

with her discovering the desert, enthusing upon its emptiness with child-like delight, and speaking in a husky. breathy voice that is a remarkable recreation of the original. The play ends with another emptiness, this time a deserted sound-stage, where Christian Burgess's Miller watches her walk out of his life and the lights go off one by one. But if Finlayson's play is

approached as being a look behind the scenes in Movieland, she presents us with fascinating glimpses and numerous crisply witty lines. She creates dialogue appropriate to the eight real and variously well-known characters, and Gregory Hersov's cast bring them to vivid life: Ray Lonnen's tolerant, battered Gable: Stephen Yardley's wary, action-man Huston: Paola Dionisotti's Paula Strasberg (Marilyn's possibly baleful guru). Hersov's handling of the pace, breadth and tone of the scenes is sure and inventive. At the end the audience clapped for a

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HEATRE

A hit at long last

SOMEWHERE in the Nevada Desert Eli Wallach is being honest with a journalist from The Manchester Guardian, no less. The year is 1960 and the shooting of The Misfits (starring Marilyn Monroe, Clark Gable, Montgomery Clift and Wallach, screenplay by Arthur Miller, directed by John Huston) is about to go 40 days over schedule. Wallach says: ""I've worked with drunks, pill-poppers, manic depressives and Tennessee Williams – and this film takes the biscuit."

The shoot was famously dreadful: Gable had only a few weeks to live. Clift and Monroe were burning themselves out, Miller appears to have spent every day sourly watching his wife fluff the fines he had sat up every night rewriting. The completed film was poorly received, but it quickly acquired legendary status because of the stars, the crises of its making, and because it finally wrecked the

Monroe-Miller marriage. These events certainly provide riveting material for Alex Finlayson's play at the Royal Exchange (a world premiere sponsored by Manchester airport). In her sequences of mostly short, always telling scenes, the insanity of working

> Misfits Manchester

with these hugely paid, fanatically adored neurotics comes

Over and above that I am not sure what her scenes do tell us. The film was nowhere near being a masterpiece. even if Gable's performance is said to have been his finest, so the play cannot usefully contrast the disorder of creation

Monroe herself, luminously terpointed against the sombre tread of boys marching away to fight and die in distant corners of the globe. Love is weighed against betrayal, beauty against mortality:

so with a narrative simplicity that won him a huge public. How realistically the poems depict 19th-century Shropshire life is a moot point. Housman was actually a Worcestershire lad, so even in boyhood his "blue remembered hills" were more a landscape of the imagination than of close observation. When he came to London as a clerk (his genius as a classical scholar not yet no-ticed) an almost pathological loneliness caused him to recreate those hills in his mind as a "land of lost content": a safe anchorage of comfort and eternal verities in a sea of doubt and distress. That enabled him to ex-

REVIEW: Monday Ann Scanlon meets Studs Terkel - writer, broadcaster and great oral historian of the American Way

Storyteller of the 20th century

tuds Terkel, Mr Chica-go to his fellow citizens, is one of the American life in the 20th century. Over the past three decades he has written eight oral history books which have given hundreds of men and women the opportunity to express their views on everything from the Great Depression to daily issues like work and race.

His latest book is called Coming of Age: The Story of Our Century by Those Who've Lived it. "I got the idea for the book from an old guy," he says. "He pushed me against the wall and said: 'You're not moving until you agree to do your next book and I'll tell you what it's going to be about people like you and me, scrappers who want to change this world. What have we go to

In an age of marketing, where the one-eyed jack of youth is king, it is refreshing to read about the lives, hopes and dreams of people aged be-tween 70 and 99, people who. Terkel feels, are "a reservoir of untapped power and new

Throughout his work, Terkel has been instinctively drawn to the old man mourning for his lost neighbourhood; the disillusioned youth who once believed that the Garden of Eden was at the other end of the street; the laughing bag lady of indeterminate age. He knows that these people are blessed with a poetic understanding, able to say things in a way a writer

"Dennis Mitchell did a British documentary called Morning in the Streets, about a working-class section Manchester shortly after the war," he says. "The rubble was still there and it was just people talking. Beautiful! They spoke poetry - 'Mansions of the mind, this one man said.

Housman tapped into classic

poetic preoccupations, but did



"Attached and detached; being there and not being there": the Studs Terkel interviewing method that has served him pretty well for decades

Oh yes, there's poetry running the course of life."

Terkel speaks in a highly lyrical way himself and admits that he is more than ever "haunted by the waste of human beings" and lost opportunities. "I'm always thinking about what might have been," he says. "To me. the blues is all the things I wanted to do and never got around to doing. In some ways, the blues

means 'if': it's also nostos (nostalgia) - I could have

Terkel, who turns 84 on Thursday, arrived in Chicago from New York's Bronx in 1920. The city quickly captured his heart and cured his asthma. His mother. Annie, ran a working men's hotel and he would sit in the lobby and listen to the guests' frequent arguments. "It was an infor-

mal, raffish kind of educa-

tion." he says.

He completed his formal education at the University of Chicago, where he trained to be a lawyer. However, his future path had already been determined by the late-night music that drifted in through "I remember the names:

Hightower: Charlie Cooke. Black bands playing slow blues that they danced to on a dime. I loved that music then and forever, and later I became a disc jockey, playing folk music and jazz.

Terkel was instrumental in the rise of Big Bill Broonzy and Mahalia Jackson, who became lifelong friends. He considers himself fortunate to have known Billie Holiday. "Billie was something, with her gardenia in her hair." he

says. "A friend of mine once said that a true artist reveals him or herself; the vulnerability of the artist becomes the vulnerability of the listener. When Billie sang Willow Weep for Me in front of ten people, we weren't weeping for

ourselves. That's an artist." Terkel hosted his own television programme. Studs' Place, before being given a

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which he continues to host today. He is currently organising tapes of the 9,000 people he has interviewed on it, ranging from uncelebrated men and women to famous names such as Dorothy Parker, Tennessee Williams, Federico Fellini, Gore Vidal, Simone de Beauvoir and Nelson Algren, who was Terkel's close friend and literary hero. "You know Nelson's credo, doncha?" he asks. "'Never play cards with a man named Doc, never eat at a place called Mom's and never sleep with a woman whose troubles are worse than your own,' Of course, he violated it, he went to bed with Simone de Beauvoir. He was rough, he was kind of a cad, but he was quite

nlike Algren, who could shut away haunting characters in some lonely tavern at the darkest end of his imagination, the people Terkel writes about are with him for keeps. "If they're in the book, I get a piece of them, but they feel they own a piece of me," he says. "It's hard not to get caught up in their lives. But, if you do, you'll die."

Terkel says that the secret to his survival, and his brilliant interview technique, can be traced back to a night outside Chicago's Dreamland Ball-room when he saw his elder brother being threatened by a neighbourhood gang. He stood in the shadows and watched for a brief while, before coming to his brother's unexpected rescue.

'That's the secret about me." he says. "At that moment I became attached and detached; being there and not being there. And so here I am. still looking on the outside, but actually inside."

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Shropshire lad remembered

lew poetry collections es-tablish themselves so Richard Morrison on 100 years of swiftly or so deeply in a nation's affections as A.E. A.E. Housman's great collection Housman's A Shropshire Lad. Published (at Housman's own expense) exactly 100 years ago. it contains 63 exquisitely crafted pastoral lyrics in which the unchanging cycle of life in rural England is coun-



Housman: won a huge public with his poems

his poetry, the turbulent emotions that he found impossible to articulate in real life: he was never able to form close relationships. What seems extraordinary in retrospect, however, is how precisely this specific emotional condition anticipates, some 20 years before the event, the anguished fatalism of so many young men sent to light in the First World War. It was said

that a copy of A Shropshire Lad could be found in every knapsack in the Flanders trenches. One can believe that. But the collection had begun

to exert its remarkable grip on the imagination of English composers long before the war. Housman, who described his poetry as a "morbid secretion", hated it being turned into song, probably because music made explicit and public the despair which his words touched upon only discreetly. Nevertheless, dozens of composers flocked to set Hous-

man's words. And as a memorable centenary concert on Saturday night proved, the poet's fears were misplaced. Performing in the heart of Housman country - at St Laurence's Church, Ludlow, where Housman's ashes are buried - Sir Simon Rattle and the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra captured

perfectly the surging, doomed passions of A Shropshire Lad. Two Housman-inspired pieces were played, effectively framed by Tippett and Haydn. The first was Vaughan Williams's On Wenlock Edge.

with Robert Tear as the robust tenor soloist. In its orchestral version (the accompaniment was originally for piano quintet) the music can sound too florid and overblown for the wry, epigrammic style of much of the text. But Rattle kept the textures tightly controlled and the phrasing fluid, and the work sounded gorgeously evocative and utterly

convincing. Then came George Butter-worth's orchestral fantasy, A Shropshire Lad. It is one of the greatest miniatures in English music, perhaps in all music: nobility and tragedy intermingled in a composition of in-credible harmonic richness. And the fact that Butterworth was killed on the Somme at the age of 31, just three years

music echoing like an elegy round the old stones that Housman loved and immortalised.

after writing the work, clearly gives it extra poignancy. Although there are many more Shropshire Lad events planned in Ludlow, London and Oxford for this centenary year - talks, walks, seminars, recitals and the premiere of some newly commissioned Housman settings - nothing is likely to touch the heart more than this: the sound of

book reaches heights of Butterworth's sublimely sad inspired dathess"

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The search for this freedom often causes problems. Blandine Verlet (Astree Auvidis) tends to adopt a degree of rhythmic licence that amounts to distortion. Far more sympathetic is Kenneth Gilbert, recorded in the 1980s but still sounding fresh, and



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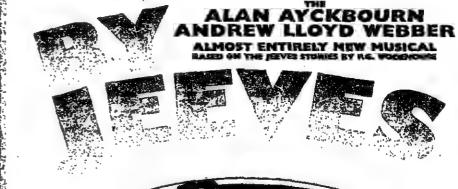
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and exuberance of his playing are a powerful antidote to the view that Couperin's keyboard output consists of efferninate trifles. Rousset is a player of extremes. But the best of his playing is outstanding, and this version (Harmonia Mundi HMC 901 442-452, three 3-CD sets, £35 each) may be confidently recommended.

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Does mood food hold the secret of happiness?

billion things to do by lunchtime, you have a crucial meeting in the afternoon and your presence is required at a three-hour power dinner. Your first instinct is . . . to have a cup of coffee.

What we put into our mouths has a profound effect on our mood we might be able to cope when the fax machine breaks down but a malfunctioning coffee dispenser ranks as disaster. While a coffee can pep you up, the soothing powers of chocolate are known to all women who have ever nursed a broken heart.

'Mood foods" have fascinated scientists for decades. However, it was not until the Seventies that research into the complex workings of the brain revealed links between food (and drink) types, brain chem-icals, mental performance and

Now scientists such as Dr Peter Rogers, from the Institute of Food Research in Reading, Berkshire, closely the influence of food on behaviour.

Psychobiology, as this realm of research is known, is a tricky business. First, the concept of mood" is ill-defined. Dr Rogers thinks that levels of energy, tension and pleasure all contribute to our idea of mood.

Secondly, the relationship be-tween mood and food is likely to be two-way, so mood can influence whether we opt for a healthylooking salad, or an artery-busting

Thirdly, it seems that a food can swing your mood in completely opposing directions, depending on how you expect to feel after eating it. If you expect a chocolate bar to cheer you up, it probably will.

What we eat is only one factor in determining our mood. Dr Rogers says: "There are lots of different things in everyday life that affect how we feel. We have to try to screen these out as far as possible because we are looking for quite

Intriguingly, some studies suggest that the effects of some foods depend on the type of people being

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studied. This was the conclusion of the most prominent "mood food" study, carried out over the past two decades by Professor Richard Wurtman and his wife. Dr Judy Wurtman, at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The study found that when people who crave carbohydrates had a snack, they felt less depressed and more alert. However, non-cravers given the same snack (high in carbohydrate but low in protein) felt tired and

Dr Joel Robertson believes that

personalities. In his book Peak-

Performance Living (with Tom

He divides personality into

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At first glance, this result looked mystifying. But the authors of the

THE HAPPY EATING GUIDE

paradox lay in serotonin, a powerful hormone and neurotransmitter. They suggested that carbohydrates spur the brain to manufacture more serotonin. Such a surge would be expected to induce drowsiness. However, low serotonin levels have been linked numerous times

to depression. So a serotonin surge in a depressed person would act as an antidepressant, which would outweigh any drowsy feelings. This theory was reinforced by

studies of sufferers of seasonal affective disorder and pre-menstru-

Satiation personalities

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chocolate, coffee and soft drinks

containing caffeine. Snack on

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grains) two hours after a high-

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Eliminate hard cheeses.

Arousal personalities

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subjects did not become as drowsy after eating carbohydrates as nonthis link between nutrition and depression relief might explain why people trying to fight the flab become depressed as the weight falls off.

What about fat? Preliminary studies have shown that a low-fat breakfast had the best effect on morning mood, but a medium-fat meal was best for afternoon. "There is no clear physiological explana-tion for these findings," Dr Rogers

says.

The pleasure we derive from chocolate appears to stem from a high-sugar, high-fat content. That we are born with liking for sweet foods can be seen by studying newborn babies who are crying. Giving them a water-sugar solution alleviates the crying - giving them water does not.

The crying stops before the sugar has a chance to get into the bloodstream, so the calming cannot be a physiological response.

ne theory about food and behaviour is that we should tailor our diet according to personality (see left). This idea has yet to be tested rigorously, but Dr Rogers and his team did unearth a striking result which suggested that it should not be dismissed. He recalls: "We were studying the effects of caffeine and we asked subjects to fill in a personality questionnaire.

"We found that impulsive, extroverted types consumed more caffeine than introverts, and benefited more from it in terms of cognitive performance. Although it was a preliminary study we thought these results were rather incredible."

However, Dr Rogers cautions that giving up or suddenly adopt-ing certain kinds of foods may not be an instant recipe for inner harmony. "People often already eat certain food which suits them, and changing it may not improve their lives. I would, however, recom-mend that everyone eats a healthy, balanced diet."

ANJANA AHUJA

TEN years ago, in one of the greatest natural disasters of modern times, more than 1.700 people living near the shores of Lake Nyos in Cam-African waters with a deadly secret under the surface

massive gas eruption. It was not the result of a volcano, because the sediment remained undisturbed, the lake water was cool, and water samples contained almost no volcanic gases except

eroon were asphyxiated by a

carbon dioxide. Ever since, geologists have been puzzling out what hap-pened, and why. Recent calculations by Dr Youxue Zhang. of the University of Michigan,

How a lake popped its cork

point to a very familiar pro- from the Earth's mantle is The waters of Lake Nyos do ide which swept down the off a bottle of soda water, or champagne, carbon dioxide rushes explosively out of solution, creating the spray which so amuses the winners

of grand prix motor races. The suspicion has long been that this is what happened at Lake Nyos. At the lake bottom, carbon dioxide

the rocks, and dissolving in the water. The greater the pressure, the more carbon dioxide is dissolved, so the hottom waters contain very large amounts of the gas. At a depth of 150 metres, for example, each litre of water contains at least it litres of

wards. Then the lower water pressures allow the gas to bubble out dissolved carbon dioxide. of solution, creating a gigantic fountain of gas and water that hurls itself vertically out of the

Dr Zhang's calculations, published earlier this year in Nature, show that the jets of gas water Nyos

would have been travelling at 80 metres per second — about 180mph. This would have caused huge waves, consistent with damage found more than 25 metres above the waterline. and would also have released vast amounts of carbon diox-

needed to start an explosive

release of the gas is a distur-bance that raises the lower,

saturated layers of water up-

ing air and suffocating 1,746 form stable layers. All that is

If this model is correct, the question arises of why the eruption was not more violent. Once the

process started. why should it stop before all the gas had hubbled out of sol ution? Dr Zhang's calculations show that such an eruption can be both violent and localised. and it seems likely that the mixing

within the erup-Hawkes tion column explains why the process stopped

of shallow, unsaturated water

before all the gas had gone Today, carbon dioxide is once more building up in Lake Nyos and in another nearby lake, Monoun, where a similar but smaller disaster occurred in 1984. The estimates are that Monoun could become unstable again within three to seven years, and Nyos in 20 to 36 years.

Could anything be done to prevent a future disaster? One possible method would be to lower huge pipes from the surface into the lower layers and begin pumping up the As it came closer to the

surface, an eruption similar to the natural one would occur. throwing a jet of spray into the air. Tests at Lake Monoun show that two modest pipes could de-gas the lake in a year, while at the much larger Lake Nyos as many as 50 pipes might be needed.



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search, compared 130 smokers with cancer with 160 who had not developed the disease. The subjects were divided into groups by the amount they smoked, and their P450 2DS levels were measured. The results, published in Cancer Research, show those

with the highest levels of enzyme activity were more at risk from increased smoking. Why the enzyme has this effect remains uncertain. It may be that it activates the carcinogens in cigarette smoke. but there are undoubtedly many other factors in determining individual risk.

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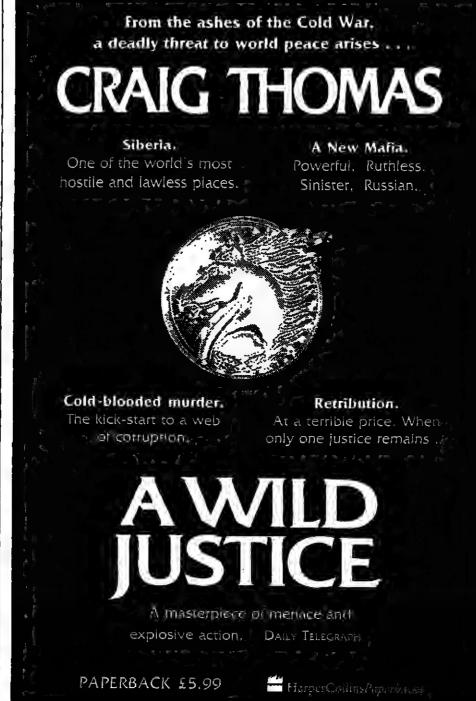


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than gravity, suggests Dr Alan Harris of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California. He bases his idea on the fact that although all asteroids rotate, there seems to be an upper limit in rotation speed.

With James Young he mea sured the rotation speed of asteroids by observing the pulsations of sunlight reflected off their rough surfaces. None, he found, goes round in less than 2.3 hours. This cut-off makes sense, he

says, if asteroids are really held together by gravity. Any rubble asteroid rotating faster would be torn apart by centrifugal force. The idea is also consistent with the observation that craters caused by asteroid impact on the Moon come in pairs, indicating that an asteroid has fallen apart as



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time since Gordon

Wilson died, his widow talks of

SHE was still on stage when they told her. The last thin chord was fading, the conductor was walking towards her, and Joan Wilson saw in his eyes a look she had learnt to And then she was stumbling away from her tinny key-board, off the makeshift platform, past the choir of girls she taught and the shoppers who had drifted in to hear her concert. One more tragedy, she reflected bitterly, played out in the public glare. "I was taken out through all these people, round the back, into a little office. Everything was swimming and I could not believe what our conductor had told me: 'Joan, something dreadful has happened. Gordon has had a heart attack, and he is dead." But instinctively, she had known. She thought back to the sudden and inexplicable terror which had driven her from the rehearsal room at 11 o'clock that morning - the time her husband, Ireland's

greatest peace camapigner.

died. And she remembered the

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They had not told her then,

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me back from Galway to

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years ago, she held her

daughter Marie — mur-

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watched her die. The first

snow of winter was falling on

the day, 18 months ago, when

her only son. Peter, perished in

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her tragedies. Interview by Mary Riddell

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how great the loss is. It never mounts for its renewal, she longs only to see a country in which no other family is torn apart by violence as hers has been. "I can't bear to see any

After the IRA ceasiire crum-

more suffering. Families have suffered enough." dler sons, Scott and Timothy,

constantly and believes impla-

himself beyond endurance, Marie, victim of the IRA, and the peace campaigner Gordon ways, did_not go to the plea for peace and accept The longer I live, the more I cemetery. Through all her whatever toll it demanded of realise how much people which he gave his life will not losses - Marie, Peter, and her die with with him.

A family stricken by grief: Joan Wilson, the widow who watched her husband drive almost bearable the dreadful tragedies their family has had to endure. How could she cope with yet another bereavement? But she knew, when she saw

"He was lying on the hed, with his shoes on and his glasses by his side. He was alone in the house, and it looked as if he had

simply fallen asleep. I can't believe i was so cool, but you get a special strength. The extraordiide when almost ten - nary thing was the peace in his face. I standing was

dead, peaceful atmosphere was all dreadful

the wreckage of his car. Now the sun was burning death he wanted." down, and she was going home to bury her husband. "Please don't fret," her only remaining child. Julie Anne, had told her over the phone. "He had a lovely, peaceful and a few papers scattered around — the last testament to Almost a year has passed, and Joan Wilson has not

spoken before of her loss. But she has remembered, over and over, every word, every detail. every step up the familiar staircase to the bedroom where he lay. Treland had lost a tireless

him, that this time it was

'His pace was so hard — I think

him, but it was the sort of She noticed, when she finally turned away, that he had been working. His diary was neatly filled in, the drawers pulled from his filing cabinet

a man who had literally given his life to the peace process. The truth, as Joan will tell you now, is that Gordon Wilson drove himself to his death at 65. His mission began on November 8, 1987, as he lay buried in rubble and heard his

His public forgiveness of the IRA, his book, his work with the young and, later, his duties as an Irish Senator took over his life. Named a Man of the Year. mentioned in the Oueen's Christmas broadcast.

he moved smoothly among the highest circles and the most ordinary The IRA ceasefire came as the final proof that Marie. a 20-vearold nurse, had not died in vain, and Gordon Wilson, exultant, worked on. He was in Dublin when, just before Christmas in 1994. he took the call

end of his life. Joan had not about it phoned at once, for she could not speak or think. She had

been in the kitchen, baking queen cakes for her granddaughters, Eloise, 12, and Judith, II, when their mother, Ingrid, rang. "She said: 'Granny, Peter's had an accident, and he's not very well. He's under a lorry, and there's a

policeman with me. Will you talk to him." 1 dropped the phone, and I ran up the stairs and along the corridor. I tore the place down screaming. Then the minister

came, and I said: What do you know about Peter? "And I knew I was back in the same pattern: begging

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with Marie. We drove to the house, and the wind was moaning, and the little girls were weeping. I said: 'Is he

"And they told me that he "I had to tell Gordon about Marie. There I was, on the phone, telling him that we had lost another child." At first she was too incoherent for him to

unravel what she was saving When he understood, he said simply: "I'll be home." But the senseless death of his beloved son was too much to bear. Gordon Wilson was to

outlive him by only six months. Joan saw the change from

Why? Why us?" ' The second disaster. The second tragedy, and this time it took its toll. Seeing Ingrid and the little girls wrung his heart, and he threw himself into this whirl of engagements. He didn't stop to think.

He didn't want to think. "He was hardly at home. until I drew the line at him flying off every weekend to work on the peace process. But even so, his pace was so hard that at times I daren't think about it." Did he sacrifice

himself by working so hard? "Without a doubt. We all told him he would kill himself. but it was as if he thought it best to burn out. He gave

unstintingly."

felt some consolation. "I knew that Gordon was with them and that was a comfort." If Gordon Wilson's was a story of courage, then hers is perhaps even more remarkable. S ince she married 40 years ago, the life of Joan

second-born son. Richard,

who lived for only a day — she

had never been able to bring

herself to stand by their open

Wilson, a brilliant violinist and pianist, centred round her family and her teaching. Shy, private and charming, thrust into a lime she never sought. Always gracious, always welcoming, she accepted from the outset she

too should make her quieter

When Gordon ignored his family's pleas to lessen his workload, she forbore to dic-

But, for the first time, she assuage his sorrow, he must be free to choose his way. ut his loss left her

deaths: 'We can't sit around crying. We have to do the best

tate to him, accepting that if eases. I know one must grieve, only his own death could and I have the sense to cry now. Sometimes I cry so much I can't talk, but then I'm better afterwards. Outside, Julie Anne's tod-

desolate. "Afterwards I was very frail, very scared. Now I was totally on my own, and it was daunting. But I prayed that I would have courage and not be weak and a nuisance to the family. Again and again, I could hear Gor-

now is to help other people.

play on the garden slide. Inside stand the silver-framed portraits of the aunt they never knew and the uncle and grandfather they will not re-

never be. irish peace talks and the anniversary of her husband's we can.' What I want to do death approach, she prays

member. But Joan Wilson does not mourn what can

"I have lovely memories, but

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That freedom from grief for. And, in the times when sorrow overwhelms her, she thinks back to his fate. She had expected to weep and to rage as she stood by Gordon's deathbed, but the stillness in the room restrained her. "Mishim softly, knowing that he who had fought beyond en-

President Mary Robinson and his fellow Senators came dying daugniers "Daddy, I love you very campaigner for peace. She had someone to tell me about to mourn him. Joan, as alanother child, just as I had lost the man who rendered Gloria Moss on male and female creativity

n. Wednesday, the winner will be anall-women prize for fiction. the Orange Prize. At £30,000. this is the richest of English

language book prizes. But is it Kate Mosse, chairman of the judges, points out that only four out of the 30 books shortlisted for Booker in the past five years have been by women, and that the Orange Prize is necessary "to ensure that some superb writers get the attention they deserve". Others insist that women's

creativity is no different from Over the past three years, I have been carrying out research, mostly in the visual art field, which suggests that there is a well defined male and female aesthetic. Three key points have emerged. First, there are consistent differences in the ways in which men and women (whether adults or children) address a particular design brief. For example, male work is more serious, angular and less colourful than female work. There are differences also in the choice of subject matter underlying the design, with male work based on inorganic

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Bringing the sexes to book

and dynamic objects (such as cars and ships) and on male figures, and female work based on static objects (flow-

Secondly, men and women like different types of design. And thirdly, there is a consistent preference by the two sexes in "blind tests" for work done by their own sex, a sort of "selfselecting" tendency. This has come across in various pieces of research. including a study for New World

Cookers. A sample

of children's cook-

er designs was

shown to employees of the company and there was a consistent tendency for the men to prefer the boys' cookers, and women the girls'. This phenomenon is also evident in art and design examination results at school and university. At levels where most of the teachers and examiners are female (as at GCSE and A level), the girls achieve conspicuously better grades than the boys. At levels where most of the teachers and examiners are male (the case at degree level), male students obtain a higher pro-

portion of firsts than the

Philippa Harrison, the ers and houses) and female managing director of Virago. says: "The average male writer tends not to express feelings straight on, but basically suppresses his feel-

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that "males take themselves more seriously than manuscript women". She says that the writer's gender can be guessed from an anonymous

How far do these findings men and women may write

Do men and women like different sorts of books? Maggie Noach, a leading London literary agent, quotes

manuscript in about 90 per cent of cases.

commissioning editors who say: "I want books written for men and books written for women." Patrick Janson-Smith, who is responsible for fiction and non-fiction titles at Transworld, one of the world's largest publishers, refers to male and female markets. "Books by Mary Wesley and stories like that are not flagged for men."

So there is a possibility that

differently and that they may like different kinds of work. What about our third proposiwhich is 90 per cent female.

oes this say anything about the Booker Prize? We know that in the lifetime of the prize there has been a 60/40 split in favour of male judges and a 90/10 split in favour of male

conscious "self-selecting" tendency means that women's writing is much more likely to gain the approval of female judges than of male judges.

women are drawn to work by people of their own sex? There is some tentative evidence that suggests we are. For example, Jilly Cooper's readers are overwhelmingly female, just rwhelmingly male. We find this self-selecting tendency even in cases where the style is very literary and where the writer's name does not reveal the author's gender. Antonia Byatt, though known only as A.S., has a readership

chairmen, the people who presumably have most influence. Could this be the reason why 66 per cent of the prizewinners have been male? Women's writing appears. both aesthetically and commercially, to be a category by itself, and a large one - 80 per cent of fiction is bought by women. Furthermore, the un-

If men are left to identify which books are best, there will be an inherent bias against the work of women. in other words against the work which is likely to have most appeal to the majority of readers. That cannot be in the interests of the publishing

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The moral battle to allow gays into the Armed Forces is won. It is now a question of what will work in practice

The result of last Thursday's debate on gays in the Armed Forces was widely reported. The debate itself, however, found little space in the newspapers. This was a pity because, although the result was fairly decisive — 188 MPs voted against relaxing the ban, 120 voted for and some 340 did not vote -- the debate itself was less so, Nobody really "won" and interventions yielded confusing signals.

Edwina Currie made a fine speech. Those who deride her should try reading her speeches for their clarity and valour, and the sheer hard graft (in this case with the Stonewall lobbying group's help) she invests in their preparation. But Mrs Currie's was not the only good speech. Dr John Reid, speaking (he said) for Labour members of the Forces Select Committee, was thoughtful, as was the Armed Forces Minister, Nicholas Soames. Few could have resisted the gay lobby with the tact and good nature Mr Soames has brought to the task.

l draw encouragement not from any claim about and, if some were found to

who "won" on Thursday, but If prejudice from the remarkably narrow ground on which soldiers conservatives in parties runs so chose to rest their deep and case. No moral reasoning at all wide, it was advanced in may have to favour of a ban on gays in the be respected Armed Forces.

The case was simple: that current attitudes among servicemen and women were such that to relax the ban on homosexuals now would cause unacceptable discontent.

"We must not in any sense be censorious," said a Conservative, John Wilkin-Armed Forces | did not want any change." In other words, Mr Wilkinson wanted to uphold the ban not because he was censorious. or thought others should be, but because it was a fact that many members of the Armed Forces were censorious. Note: MPs were placing themselves at one remove from the opinions of the Armed Forces by arguing that we should respect the strength with which these opinions were held.

Labour's Dr Reid became rather mysterious on this. when he concluded: "Prejudice is no ground on its own for the continuation of past practice, but nor can practical problems be wished away." It was the practical problems, he seemed to suggest, which justified con-

tinuing past practice. But (unless I mistake his argument) Dr Reid believes the practical problems arise from prejudice. And surely he is right: practical problems can. Powerful prejudice, widely shared, can be a practical problem: a fact, and one which employers should not overlook. In a close-knit organisation such as an army, it may be

especially necessary to ac-knowledge this. I do not agree with Sir Ian McKellen that the opinions of servicemen should not even be sought, though Sir lan is right — crusty old military traditionalist that he is - to raise an eyebrow at any implication that the Army is some sort of workers' co-operative in which

management questions are deciden democratically. We should bite this bullet. a prejudice among soldiers runs so deep and wide that to ignore it is seriously to undermine morale, then it may have to be respected. That is the implication of Dr Reid's speech and it is

surely right.

Avoiding sex, let me choose, for a hypothetical example, quite another area of prejudice to demonstrate Reid's and Soames's argument. Suppose there was a frightful hatred of Spaniards among service personnel, but some servicemen (thought British) were of partly Spanish descent Were morale sufficiently threatened, it might be right to ban these people from serving in the Armed Forces

> be concealing their Spanish ancestry, to root them. Whether or not this was justified the prejudice was ly it would not be but upon how much trouble dis-

regarding It would cause. One would not, in upholding the anti-Hispanic ban, be condoning the prejudice: just acknowledging its strength. It would be a practical problem, of the kind Dr Reid is right to remind us about.

Those who believe that uality in the Armed Forces includes a moral one had their chance to state that view in Thursday's debate. Not a single speaker did. Nobody in the Government ever has. Both sides in the debate rested their case on what is really a quantitative judgment: just how much trouble would a relaxation of the ban cause in practice? It was upon precisely this

question that the controver-

sy about allowing blacks to serve alongside whites in the US military turned and, in the end, Washington took the view that the fuss about integration would die down and that white soldiers would get used to blacks They were right. In the controversy about gays. Westminster has taken the opposite view. I think MPs are wrong, but that is a matter of judgment. It turns upon assessment of a changing picture: attitudes among service people. The assessment is not of what military personnel prefer,

but what they will wear. MPs are free to reassess and will do so in a few years. The moral argument is over, the practical argument close to being won.

Ian Hargreaves is in the great tradition of New Statesman editors — and the glory days are returning

uring the war, when I was at school and afterwards when I was either doing National Service or was at Oxford, I was a service or was at Oxtoru, I was a regular, though dissenting, reader of the New Statesman. In those years, in which the ideas of the Left were dominant, Kingsley Martin's New Statesman was the political weekly in which they were best acqueet. I want which they were best argued. I went on reading the New Statesman under the editorships of John Freeman. Paul Johnson, Richard Crossman and Anthony Howard. It remained an interesting weekly, but the ideas were losing their momentum. After that the magazine fell into a black hole and 1 stopped reading it perhaps I bought an issue once every three years, to see whether it was still

being published. As the New Statesman fell, The Spectator rose. I had been a regular reader during the 1950s and 1960s in the golden editorships of lan Gilmour, Iain Macleod and Nigel Lawson. After that I lapsed, but Alexander Chancellor brought me back. He had the light touch; every editor of a weekly needs the skill of a pastry cook and Alexander's Speciator melted in the mouth. He was succeeded by Charles Moore, who made it the necessary reading of the intellectual Right, by Dominic

Lawson and now by Frank Johnson. As the Conservatives went into their prolonged decline, a deathbed scene as protracted as that of Deng Xiaoping. The Spectator became a critic of the Government, but still had the more interesting ideas. Frank Johnson himself is rather sympathetic to John Major, for reasons which escape me and sometimes escape him, but allows his contributors, including Paul Johnson, to growl like true Tory lions. The modern Speciator resembles nothing so much as Trafalgar Square, with the Editor on top of his column and the lions around the base.

Required reading for new Labour

On Friday nights I usually catch the Bath train at Paddington station, a nostalgic experience which I must have enjoyed more than a thousand times. I usually buy the same set of magazines, The Spectator itself, Country Life — if I had the money I would, like the great Lord Curzon, collect country houses - The Economist, if I want to settle in for a good

boring read.

Two weeks ago I was sent a copy of the first issue of the new New Statesman under the editorship of Ian Hargreaves. Last Friday, though I happened to be going to Exeter rather than Bath, I made my usual visit to Paddington station. I added the second Hargreaves issue of the New Statesman to my list, and I expect to be reading it regularly from

As against The Spectator it has one great disadvantage, and one great advantage. The disadvantage is that the New Statesman has never been edited by Alexander Chancellor, He made The Speciator more of a cocktail party than a political party, a party of lively minds. After two weeks, Ian Hargreaves's New Statesman is still rather doughy, but that is unavoidable. It takes time to assemble the varied talents which make a weekly fun to read.

The New Statesman's real advantage is that its ideas have the smell of power. The Spectator could commission an article about the future of the health service, which might make

interesting policy recommendations. That would not be quite unreadable. but it would be easy to set aside for reading later.

However good the ideas were, no one would expect the Government to put them into effect before the general election, or to be in a position to put them into effect after it. If the New Statesman were to commission an article on the same subject, that would mean much more. Clearly Tony Blair reads the New Statesman, as do the brighter of his colleagues. A

William Rees-Mogg

good new idea could flourish in that

receptive soil. Ian Hargreaves does, therefore, have an exceptional journalistic opportunity and an enviable one. If he succeeds, his magazine will be the arena of intellectual debate for the government which will probably make the next set of hig decisions for Britain. From the first two issues under his editorship, I think he is going to take this opportunity. He has already started to attack some of the big issues: Labour's position on Europe and on public spending, the future of welfare and, most interestingly, what might be called the Rohatyn heresy.

Felix Rohatyn is a Democrat of the Democrats, and a Wall Streeter of Wall Street. He is chairman of Lazard Frères and has been a very large fundraiser. When Tony Blair recently visited the United States, Henry Kissinger invited Rohatyn to breakfast with him. The day they met, The Wall Street Journal published a major piece by Rohatyn called "Recipe for Growth". This piece has been a bombshell for the Democrats because it conflicts with the liberal orthodoxy of their party policy, though it would not have surprised President Kennedy. Yet, as Rohatyn told the New Statesman, "no major country can escape the consequences of the changes I write about. It applies to all."

The Rohatyn view - which is similar to the argument I have put, based on the experience of Hong Kong - is that economic growth is the condition of social improvement.

The New Statesman summarises the central themes of what must seem a heresy to modern left-wing parties, Democrats or Labour. "It is no longer possible to obtain a 'fair' distribution of wealth through a redistributed tax system; no government can substantially reduce the widening differentials between incomes; capital must be taxed more lightly to encourage investment: social security systems should be privatised; the main par-ties of the Left and Right should agree on the basics of what is required for their economies to be dynamic and

still supporters of the less able."

As a good Editor. Ian Hargreaves invited John Eatwell, who is to be the president of Queens' College, Cambridge, to reply to Rohatyn in the following issue. Eatwell agrees with one of Rohatyn's themes - "fairness does not require the redistribution but the creation of wealth, geared to an economy that can provide employment for everyone willing and able to work". However, Eatwell does not accept the argument that modern technology has a much more unequal pattern of skills than the massproduction technology of the mid-20th century and will, therefore, create greater inequality. He believes that growth will reduce inequality, where Rohatyn and I would expect it only to improve minimum standards while creating a new and large crop of exceptionally rich people. In my view, we need the rich to do the saving that society is unwilling to do

This is a splendid debate for Labour to be having - a real debate about the global, economic and social issues. Tony Blair is said to have been very impressed about the Rohatyn article. The new New Statesman is already proving an important ally in Tony Blair's campaign to develop the ideas of the new Labour Party. It is also encouragingly ecumenical — we are all to be allowed to join in the debate. There is even an article by Richard Addis, the very intelligent but distinctly right-wing new Editor of the Daily Express, on the political attitudes of the Tory press. We are all again going to have to read the New Statesman. The glory days have not fully returned, but I think they are coming back. And Ian Hargreaves is a much nicer man than Kingsley Martin ever was.

Cabinets, codes and the courts

Politicians must obey rules which call into question

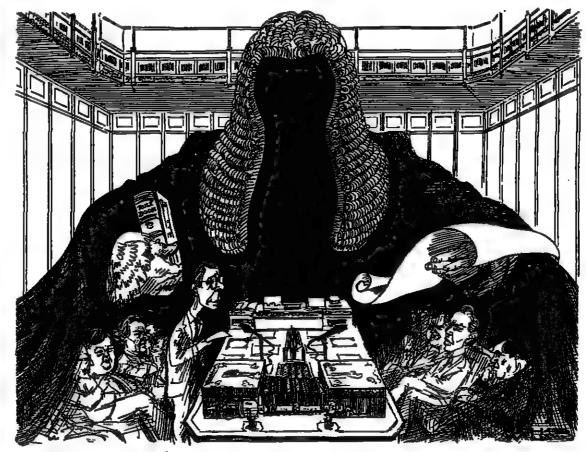
our unwritten constitution

ritain no longer has an unwritten constitution. The framework of a written constitution is being created: the rulebook for ministers was first published in 1992 and is now being code for civil servants came into operation in January, and MPs have faced tighter restrictions on their outside interests since last month. But because this process has been piecemeal, there are no clear principles of accountability and no agree-ment on who should safeguard the

new written rules. These changes have attracted far less attention than the debate over centralisation of power in Whitehall under the Tories, or the sweeping plans for constitutional reform of Charter 88 and the opposition parties. Yet they are as significant, in the long term, in moving Britain's political culture away from informal understandings and precedents to a more

formal system of rules. The impetus for change has come from the managerial revolution in Whitehall, notably the creation of "Next Steps" executive agencies to run large areas of administration. The Major Government has paradoxically accelerated the process by its moves towards openness, while the Nolan and Scott inquiries have highlighted flaws in this piecemeal approach. The implications are now being examined by the Public Service Committee of the Commons.

The Government has sought to be organisationally radical but constitutionally conservative. However, in the process of defining where accountability lies when managerial responsibility is delegated to agen-cies, ministers have failed to offer



satisfactory answers. Sir Robin Butler, the Cabinet Secretary, has argued that, while ministers are accountable to Parliament for everything done by their officials, they cannot be held responsible for actions which they neither authorised nor knew about.

This distinction sounds neat and is. in part, intended to counter kneejerk demands for resignations whenever something goes wrong. But it can be distorted into a doctrine of ministerial irresponsibility. Ministers under pressure, as Michael Howard has been over prisons, invoke a division between policy, for which they are responsible, and operations, for which the chief executive of an agency is. While it is obviously daft to blame Mr Howard every time a prisoner escapes, there is no clear-cut distinction between policy and operations.

The issue came to a head over the

it was my husband's birthday on

Saturday," said Currie yesterday

afternoon, still a little woolly from

the night before. "Anyway," she

said, "I have begun to turn down

invitations to debate Euro-sception

colleagues because the story which

emerges is never about Europe but

Currie, who chairs the Conserva-tive Group for Europe and ran for a

seat in the European Parliament,

added: "I have been on television

but frankly I have much better things to do on a Sunday morning

WITH the BBC already under siege for pruning Thought for The Day's contributors list, its reli-

gious broadcasting section has tak-

en another blow. Mike Wooldridge, religious affairs correspondent for the past six years, is on the move. Wooldridge, an An-

glican, is off to far less sticky ground as the BBC's man in Delhi.

than talk with Bill Cash." Tiens.

veral times with John Redwood.

about rifts in the Tory party."

RIDDELL ON MONDAY

sacking last October of Derek Lewis as head of the Prison Services Agency. But if the heads of agencies are to take the blame in such cases, should they also, as Mr Lewis believes, be allowed to explain themselves more fully to Parliament? The First Division Association, representing senior civil servants, has been considering whether officials should be allowed to be accountable for their actions and not just give evidence to select committees on behalf of ministers - though policy advice would remain confidential.

Parallel problems arise over the conduct of ministers. Many of the most forceful criticisms in the Scott report were over breaches of "Ques-tions of Procedure for Ministers"

(OPM). Until May 1992, this was a classified Cabinet Office document and little discussed, but it has since become, in the words of Professor Peter Hennessy, "the crucial and acknowledged instrument of decency and proper procedure at the apex of the political and governmental system". That is more than was intended when it was declassified, but Nolan and Scott have elevated its public status. Yet its key section on openness is full of let-out clauses. No one disputes that some defence and security matters should not have to be disclosed to Parliament. But who is to judge what they are, and what the public interest is?

In the past, the Prime Minister, Cabinet Secretary and Chief Whip have all been involved in examining breaches of QPM by ministers. This has landed Sir Robin Butler in

unwanted political controversy as he was forced to appear the virtual guarantor of Jonathan Aitken's integrity over allegations about a Paris hotel bill. This put Sir Robin in the embarrassing position of investigator rather than the Prime Minister's main adviser. But the Government rejected Nolan's suggestion that the Prime Minister should determine whether or not ministers have upheld the standards in QPM, since that would make him "invigilator and judge" of his ministerial colleagues.

This position is unsustainable.

Most private-sector and professional bodies now accept the principle of external, independent audit of their ethical rules. The Government has already accepted that the Civil Sercomplaints by civil servants about their code, while a Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards has been created to act as a preliminary investigator of alleged breaches of rules by MPs.

This is similar to the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration — the Ombudsman who investigates maladministration and now monitors open government - and the Comptroller and Auditor-General who examines government accounts. All are accountable to Commons committees. I believe a similar figure is now needed to investigate breaches of QPM by ministers and to advise where the public interest lies. A prime minister would still decide whether he had confidence in a

minister. A version of this idea was suggested to Nolan by Vernon Bogdanor, the constitutional writer, and was endorsed last week by Sir Richard Scott in evidence to the Public Services Committee. Sir Richard has become a constitutional radical who favours a Freedom of Information Act. This would, crucially, shift issues of ministerial accountability and openness into the courts. Then we would really have a written constitution.

But it is already too late to return to the "good chaps know how to behave" approach. British politicians will increasingly have to operate by formal rules.

Clap Happy

awkward relationship with the Shadow Chancellor Gordon Brown, Peter Mandelson, Labour MP for Hartlepool, spent Friday and Saturday whooping it up in Prague. He was at the launch of the New Atlantic Initiative, a beano for Europe's Thatcherite aristocracy. During a speech by Baroness Thatcher, the vulpine Mandelson found himself on the horns of a

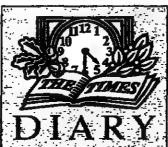


ing crowd in standing to applaud the former Prime Minister? Not even the iron rod of Blair's leadership would be able to contain the inevitable rumpus from Labour's Left which would greet such a deed.

Ever the good new Labourite, however, Mandelson was equally keen not to seem ungenerous or overly critical towards the speaker, Typically, he reached a good Blairite compromise. In a sea of standing, cheering, shiny-suited Eastern European capitalists, Mandelson alone stayed seated, clapping nonetheless.

Notably absent from the shindig was Henry Kissinger, the former American Secretary of State and admirer of the female form. He, more than Mandelson, would have appreciated the stunning conference hostesses. The Czechs, it turns out, had plundered their top modelling agency for the occasion.

 GLOOMY omens for Railtrack's privatisation. The closing date for share applications is Wednesday, but in a large advertisement placed in The Guardian on Satur-



POOR Bill Cash, arch Euro-sceptic and MP for Stafford. He cannot find anyone to climb into the sandpit with him for a debate on Europe. On yesterday morning's Breakfast with Frost, he was looking forward to a hair-pulling session with Edwina Currie, Europhile and MP for Derbyshire

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"I could not do the show because

day, Railtrack boomed "Two days to go". By yesterday they were back on schedule, announcing in The Guardian's sister paper. The Observer: "Three days to go".

Curried

South. No dice.

"Currie backed out on Friday," moaned Cash. "The Europhiles are ducking the debate and my pos-

Blowing hot AS elections loom for him in November, President Clinton has resurrected one of his best campaign gimmicks: the saxophone. In a terrific poll-boosting manoeuvre in 1992, Clinton put on a pair of sun-

glasses and tooted his sax on a popular television chat show. The routine was often repeated through the campaign and in the early months of Clinton's presidency. Since then, however, the first horn has lain

Last week, however, Clinton was driving between fundraising events in New Jersey when he halted his cavalcade to greet a small band of

One of the crowd of 20 or so offered the President a saxophone. In one of those defining moments, Clinton hesitated, took it, and played a selection of Dave Brubeck



Cool: President Clinton

tunes. According to the White House, we can confidently "expect to see the saxophone appearing often during the campaign".

SHORTLIST time in Mid-Norfolk, a new seat, where they are in the process of selecting a Conservative candidate to fight the next elec-tion. Heading the final six is Conal Gregrory. 49, Master Vintner, food writer and MP for York from 1983 until he lost his seat in 1992. Two other Lazarene contenders are Paul Howell and Bill Newton-Dunn, both former MEPs who lost their seats in 1992 and are now trying to revive their careers with a crack at Westminster. Howell may have the edge. His father, Sir Ralph Howell, has been Conservative MP for neighbouring North Norfolk since 1970.

Last walk

CIRCUSES are suddenly much greyer places. The last of the Great Wallendas is dead. With the death of Helen Wallenda, wife of the legendary tightrope-walker Karl, the last flicker of the century's greatest circus family has gone out.

Mrs Wallenda's life was never short on drama. Having experienced the death of her brother-inlaw Willi, blown off course while



Unlucky: The Wallendas

performing a high-wire bicycle act. she then saw her son-in-law killed and her adopted son paralysed for life when the Wallendas' famed seven-person high-wire pyramid

In 1963, her sister-in-law fell to her death while performing a pole-balancing act in Omaha, and in 1972 her son-in-law died in similar circumstances. Having been nearfatally trampled when a fire erupted in a Big Top in Connecticut in 1944, she survived to see her husband fall off a high wire in Puerto Rico and die in 1978. After so actionpacked a life, she died peacfully in

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How ironic, therefore, that at a time cent in real terms in its government erant.

10 Spring Gardens, SW1.

Please hold . . .

From Mr Alexander Murray

Sir, I am angry at the queueing system which allows firms to waste my time and telephone companies to in-

ALEXANDER MURRAY.

Sir, I have just received a clothing catalogue offering amongst other items

I wonder if any of your readers have taken to wearing these garments in preference to shorts, trunks and vests. And if so, are there any benefits?

36 Grantchester Road, Cambridge.

THE TIMES

PREMIER DIVISIONS

The Times Good University Guide begins today

Quality will out. Although this Government sought to enhance the prestige of all higher education institutions by abolishing the division between universities and polytechnics, new divisions have emerged. Our report on page 1 that some foreign countries will recognise qualifications only from a premier league of British universities demonstrates how hollow the claims to homogeneity are. Pupils and parents need help when so many institutions of such widely

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varying quality are soliciting applicants. Until recently there was no authoritative guide to the relative quality of universities and their departments. Applicants had to rely on an inadequate stew of rumour, parental memories and teachers' advice. The expansion of higher education made selection even more of a lottery. Competition has become even fiercer for entry to the higher education super league which appears to be emerging. That is why the publication, this week, of The Times's fifth Good University Guide is so valuable. The Guide's conclusions now take account of official assessments of teaching quality drawn up for the higher education funding bodies. Complemented by figures compiled by the Higher Education Statistics Agency, it should be invaluable for anyone trying to

make sense of the university system. Extracts from the Guide will be published over the next five days and it will soon be available in paperback from Times Books. It is more than a dry collection of tables. In choosing where to study, applicants will want to weigh the merits of a collegiate system against a modern campus and consider whether a thriving club scene or access to the hills matters more. The Guide provides an insight into every aspect of student life. It will allow a judgment to be made on grounds which are not just academic. Nevertheless, the main purpose of university is the pursuit of learning and the Guide should help pupils to aim at realistic targets and ignore fashion to find out which establishments enjoy the best ratings in their subjects. Many universities are centres of excellence in certain fields and the Guide shows which establishments shine in which areas.

There are pockets of achievement across the country but, as the Governments of Malaysia and Singapore realise, there are certain universities which score well in almost every area. The development of a de facto Ivy League on the American model may alarm idealistic egalitarians. But it is probably the best guarantee of excellence. It would be naive to expect every higher education body to conform to one idea of a university. Some universities are illequipped to compete for research funds or the best students. There is no disgrace, indeed good reason, in their specialising in studies which are more explicitly vocational but not professional, or simply those which

are less intellectually demanding.

Allowing a premier league to develop will ensure that liberal learning, the pursuit of knowledge for its own sake, survives. Some higher education bodies are diluting what is distinctive about the British university tradition by providing "foundation" courses for students not yet equipped for undergraduate study. Mass-production methods such as large-scale lecturing, more common on the Continent, are displacing smaller seminar-style teaching. There are also suggestions that degree quality is being debased. By acknowledging, indeed encouraging, an elite which cleaves to traditional methods, the excellence which attracts students from the world over can best be preserved.

VISITE CORDIALE

Chirac's instincts have much in common with the British mood

Jacques Chirac arrives in Britain tomorrow with a spring in his step. At home, he has begun to recover the political ground lost during the winter, when France erupted in street battles over tough welfare reforms and spending cuts and the Elysée appeared to have nothing to say in response. After a difficult year in which broken electoral promises lay all around him and he seemed not so much to be settling into the presidency as trying to reinvent it, he has developed a confidently informal style as the leader who really listens to his countrymen — and they

in turn are learning to love him for it. Abroad, M. Chirac has begun to articulate a highly interventionist neo-Gaullist policy with an energy and audacity all his own. He has taken care to describe these policies as the natural product of France's "great ambitions in and for Europe", stressing that they are entirely consistent with France's commitment to a common EU foreign and security policy. His European partners might beg to differ, since he gave them no prior notice of his decision to resume nuclear tests, infuriated nine of them by refusing to apply the Schengen agreement on border controls and thoroughly upset Germany by announcing the overdue decision to streamline the French Armed Forces and make them professional. He is too astute a political player not to know that what makes these initiatives so popular in France is that they mark his determination to "recover France's

sovereign margin of manoeuvre". He visits Britain, therefore, as a politician whose instincts have much in common with this country's mood. He also comes as a friend, a Frenchman for whom the Anglo-Saxon world has never been hostile territory. At his request this will be as much a working visit as a formal state occasion, and that too

is a welcome change. There is genuine warmth in his relationship with John Major, accentuated by his gratitude for Britain's tactful handling of France's nuclear tests. The two countries' thinking on defence, reinforced by the development of what has come to seem to be a natural military partnership in support of shared global interests, has never been more

compatible. Britain and France are some way from agreement on the future shape of Europe; France claims, for example, to be committed to "deepening" European integration before new members can be admitted. But M Chirac has insisted that Europe cannot be built without Britain and so without an effort to understand Britain's "specific problems" with European federalism.

With these "problems" M Chirac's France can, for all the continued importance to Paris of its key relationship with Bonn, broadly identify. On a Europe of nationstates, the only real difference between France and Britain is that Britain can state frankly what France must, with its eye on Chancellor Kohl, seek to finesse at least until monetary union - which in French eyes means escaping the tutelage of the Bundesbank - is securely in the bag.

But this French balancing act presents obvious problems for Franco-British entente. The problem over timing is that the inter-governmental conference ends before the decision is due on a starting date for EMU. Germany expects France to do its duty by political union and it will take all the legendary manipulative skills of French diplomacy to manufacture a document that satisfies German demands without tying

Paris - and Britain - down. The problem of substance is that France must travel further down the deficit-cutting track in order to qualify for EMU. As it struggles to fit into the Maastricht straitjacket, the French Government is eyeing Britain's freedom to adjust its exchange rates and monetary policies with an envy

bordering on hostility. M Chirac is therefore likely to press Mr Major hard to agree to French demands that if Britain declines to participate in EMU, it will re-enter a binding exchange-rate mechanism which would rule out "competitive devaluation". Were the positions reversed, France would not even contemplate such a course. It would be wholly contrary to its national interest. Mr Major must find an emollient way of saying just that. Friends should be able to differ; and Britain and France are fast learning to be friends again.

DON'T MISS THE BUS

New tracks are opening for British trainspotters

Railway enthusiasts took a special break over the weekend at the Sidings Hotel beside the main line at York. As we report on page 9. they exchanged their customary windy platforms for Pullman luxury. Thermoses of tea and sandwiches wrapped in greaseproof paper for candlelit dinner. And all day and night they enjoyed a constant procession of 225s, high-speed trains and all the other classes, names and numbers of locomotive.

Towards the end of this century some of the romance has gone out of trains. It is difficult to imagine Auden rattling on about the Night Mail crossing the Border today, or Whitman addressing a poem to a locomotive as "fierce-throated beauty". A French decadent of the school of Huysmans would find it impossible to ask "Where is there a woman whose form is more splendid than that of a locomotive?" without being suspected of chauvinism or irony. This decline in railway glamour is partly a case of familiarity and incomprehensible platform announcements breeding contempt. Diesels and electric locomotives have a less sparky life than their steam predecessors. And trainspotting has a downmarket image of cloth caps. Whereas fathers once took their sons to watch the

trains, now the fathers go alone with their nostalgia. After a generation of British Rail. the only wonder the young find in trains is wondering how late they will run.

Nevertheless, up at the end of the line to King's Cross and up the Metropolitan Line to Wembley, new life was stirring in the old English hobby of sighting rareties and collecting. The coach and bus spotting society were out in force for the Cup Final. Northern coaches seldom spotted south of Watford had driven down the M6 from Manchester and Liverpool. Privatised coaches display a great variety of liveries. and new registration numbers are added to them every year. Unlike the railways. coaches constantly parade new rolling-stock. The intricate codes of coach marques and timetables can be satisfactorily cracked and recorded by the thoroughly modern spotter

with his personal computer. So we all hope that reprivatisation of the railways may bring the old romance and reliability back for travellers up the East Coast main line, looking out at the finest cathedrals in Britain. But it may also bring relief and variety back for those who sit at ease in the sidings to spot the trains go by.

From Mr David Wolfson

politan Police. Mr Khan does not address the fundamental objection to Mr Hsu per-

Yours faithfully, 3 Gray's Inn Place, Gray's Inn, WCl. May 7.

From Mr D. Greg Castel

Sir, Only recently has it registered on my consciousness that below the High

D. G. CASTEL Flat 3/a, 15) Wyndford Road, Glasgow.

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cal fishing communities and the

We call on the Government to push

for emergency measures at the next meeting of EU fisheries ministers,

scheduled for mid-June. While we

welcome the UK Fisheries Minister's

earlier initiative to propose North Sea-

wide catch limits for sand eels, emer-

gency measures must also call for spe-

cial regulations for sensitive areas

within the sand-eel industrial fishery.

with the Government's declared oppo-sition to unregulated industrial fish-

Yours sincerely,

PETER MELCHETT

(Fisheries Officer, WWF),

(Head of Conservation, Scottish Wildlife Trust),

GRAHAM WYNNE

Canonbury Villas, NI.

Greenpeace,

Yours faithfully.

TOM ROBBINS

May 8.

experiments.

still unproven.

(Personal assistant to

12 Sneyd Hall Road,

Bloxwich, Staffordshire,

Food safety risks

From Dr Dennis V. Parke

Sir, May I comment on the letter from

Dr André Menache (May 7) in which

he refers to the "scientific impossibil-

ity" of proving food safety for human

beings from evidence based on animal

For fifty years or more rapeseed oil

was regarded as much too toxic for

human consumption as it caused dis-

astrous fatalities when fed to turkeys

has been genetically selected to have a

lower erucic acid content - a fatty

acid that results in heart disease, liver

cancer and death - it is widely used in

cattle feed and in the production of

other foods for human consumption.

Most safety evaluation studies of the

new rape were conducted in rats, a

species not susceptible to erucic acid

toxicity. Hence, safety for humans is

died after consuming adulterated

rapeseed oil, fraudulently marketed

as olive oil, and thousands became

chronically ill. This adulterated rape-

seed oil was not toxic to rats, which

baffled many toxicologists (WHO,

1984). In view of these findings, and

the more recent problems with BSE,

CJD and cattle feed. I prefer the far su-

perior flavours of grass-fed beef, dairy

ings also enjoys privilege, which pro-

The effect of this week's House of

Lords amendment to the Defamation

Bill, allowing both an MP to sue for li-

butter, and virgin olive oil.

School of Biological Sciences.

Yours sincerely,

DENNIS V. PARKE,

University of Surrey.

Guildford, Surrey.

Yours faithfully.

ANDREW SMITH

May 8.

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INDRANI LUTCHMAN

ALASTAIR SOMMERVILLE

(Director of Conservation, RSPB),

the provisions of Article 19 of the Uni-

versal Declaration of Human Rights.

If only the leaders of the "free

world" had shown a fraction of the

commitment and courage displayed

by Nigeria's journalists in their fight

for democracy over 100 million people

might not be suffering the despair and degradation of a life without hope.

Chief M. K. O. Abiola, 1993-95),

The situation now is of course much

These initiatives would be in line

North Sea marine environment.

Overfishing threat to food supply

From the Executive Director of

Sir, Numbers of most North Sea com-

mercial fish species, including cod.

herring and plaice, are now well be-

low the levels considered biologically

safe. Political inertia and a failure to

reconcile differences between science

and policy have ultimately led to

North Sea fish stocks being in a peri-

Yet astonishingly the largest single lishery in the North Sea, the "industrial fishery" for sand eels, is almost unregulated. No catch limits are set

and the tiny net mesh sizes allow al-

Sand eels form a major part of this

fishery, which accounts for over half

the total fish taken from the North

Sea. Sand eels are at the base of the

food chain and would usually be food for seabirds, including puffins and

gannets; marine mammals, including

whales and seals, and most of the

By denying these species their food

source we further endanger our own

future food supplies, the survival of lo-

Sir, It is to be hoped that Michael Bin-

yon's damning report on Nigeria (May 3) was read in particular by peo-

ple at the Foreign and Common-

wealth Office and by the directors of

Since seizing power in November 1993 General Sani Abacha's regime

has systematically stilled what was a

vibrant and self-confident press. In June 1994 the New York-based Com-

mittee to Protect Journalists wrote to

Abacha deploring the detention of

journalists and the closure of major

publications as clearly in violation of

Estonian arms denial

Sir. Your Defence Correspondent

"Russian spies step up watch on Brit-

ish firms", May 7) quotes Russian se-

curity sources as saying that the IRA

has been using front companies in Es-

tonia to buy arms. One of the media-

tors is described as "an Estonian

extremist organisation called Kajt-

defence force of Estonian citizens

whose functions and obligations are

entrenched in the Estonian Constitu-

tion. As an integral part of Estonia's

defence forces Kaitseliit is at all times

under careful governmental scrutiny

and thus cannot be engaged in any il-

legal arms sales, which contravene

Accusations of illegal arms transit

via Estonia, whether to the IRA or any

other terrorist organisations, remain

completely unfounded. Estonia does

not have an arms industry and has

never permitted the illegal transit of

arms through its territory.

The Republic of Estonia has also re-

peatedly condemned and opposed the

use of terrorism anywhere. Conse-

quently. Estonia has always been

ready to co-operate with counter-ter-

rorist agencies of all interested coun-

Embassy of the Republic of Estonia.

tries, including Russia.

Charge d'Affaires a.i.,

16 Hyde Park Gate, SW7.

MPs and privilege

From Mr Andrew M. Smith

Yours faithfully.

PEEP JAHILO.

May 9.

Estonia's international obligations.

From the Chargé d'Affaires

for Estonia, a.i.

Press in Nigeria

From Mr I. T. Robbins

Shell UK

commercial fish species humans eat.

most nothing to pass.

Greenpeace UK and others

lous state.

Investigation of police complaints

From Mr Christopher Price

Sir. In recent years the Government has followed good management practice in devolving responsibility, including that for disciplinary decisions, to those who manage the various public agencies. The exception is the

Metropolitan Police officers are alone in being protected by both a reasonable doubt* test of proof in dis-ciplinary cases and a final appeal, when all else fails, to a Home Secretary who all too often overrules the Commissioner.

The recent escalation in damages identified by Mr Sadiq Khan (letter, May 7) is a function of what has become virtual police officer immunity from disciplinary sanction in the aftermath of juries finding against them in civil cases and of well-publicised miscarriages of justice. As long as police officers are seen to have this unique employment protection privilege, substantial awards of damages

should continue.

If Sir Paul Condon really wants the Court of Appeal to moderate damages against his force (report, May 7), he should make greater efforts to ensure that his officers are properly and publicly disciplined when citizens are ille-

gally assaulted. Actions against the Metropolitan Police stem partly from an ineffective police complaints system but mainly from a chronic inability by successive Commissioners to discipline offending officers and a persistent refusal to apologise to injured parties.

Yours truly, CHRISTOPHER PRICE, 9 Pickwick Road, SE21.

From the Acting Chairman of the Police Complaints Authority

Sir, Solicitor Sadiq Khan criticises this authority for refusing to reopen the inquiry into Kenneth Hsu's complaint against the police.

Mr Hsu did complain, and his case would have been investigated. However, on Mr Khan's advice, he decided not to co-operate with the complaints inquiry. This made it impossible to

conduct a meaningful investigation. As a result, the authority had no alternative but to grant the police a dispensation from the need to pursue the matter, in accordance with regulations approved by Parliament.

While the courts have decided that we do not nave the lei open a complaint once it has been dispensed with. I have to say that a reopening of the investigation would not have been justified after a delay of

nearly four years. In a 1988 judicial review (Regina v Police Complaints Authority, Exparte Ronald F. Broome) Lord Justice Bingham ruled that the complaints and civil processes are separate and that complaints must not be subordinated to civil actions.

In 1994 the House of Lords accepted our view that both the police and plaintiffs should have equal access to any complaints inquiry evidence in order to nursue civil actions.

Unlike Mr Khan, many solicitors now advise clients to co-operate with the complaints system, since this may provide the evidence needed to bring a successful civil action, at less cost to public funds. It is not surprising. therefore, that our ever-increasing workload does not support Mr Khan's claim that the public are deserting the complaints system in favour of legal

Yours faithfully PETER MOORHOUSE. Acting Chairman. Police Complaints Authority.

10 Great George Street, SW1.

Sir, Mr Sadiq Khan justifies the award to his client of £220,000 for wrongful assault and false imprisonment, including £200,000 of exemplary damages, on the grounds that the jury wanted "to send a message" to the Commissioner of the Metro-

sonally receiving such a large sum as exemplary damages. Mr Hsu should receive an award of damages designed to compensate him for the injuries

he sustained. However, an award of exemplary damages, which is punitive and not compensatory in nature, should be paid, like any other fine, to the State. Exemplary damages should be paid so as to punish the wrongdoer, not to provide an unjustified windfall to the

DAVID WOLFSON,

Royal wave

our priorities should lie. Tides table you publish daily there ap-Yours faithfully. pears the caveat "Crown copyright re-M. HARRIS. Amberley House, Does this date from the time of King 4 Woodchester Road,

Yours faithfully.

bel and a newspaper to justify its publication if it can, would simply be to put members of the legislature in the same position as members of the judi-

Sir, Your report, "Lawyers warn MPs

against tampering with privilege" (May 8), suggests that if MPs are permitted to waive privilege in order to sue for libel, journalists should be al-lowed to sue an MP for remarks made in the House of Commons.

Judges, lawyers and witnesses enjoy absolute privilege in respect of statements made in court at trial, but there is nothing to prevent them from bringing actions for libel. A journalist who publishes without malice a fair and accurate report of court proceed-

Lawn-free gardens

From Mrs Margaret Harris

and consider other options.

one year.

May 3.

ers". May 3) Severn Trent has simply

posed the question "do we really need

lawns?" and asked us to think about it

perience every drought summer has

been that it has completely recovered

Brown grass in the summer simply

water for the vital areas of life is where

Letters for publication may be faxed to 0171-782 5046.

We have a large lawn and our ex-

(Public affairs consultants), 19 Catherine Place, SW1.

(Group Managing Director), Ian Greer Associates Limited

Spelling reform

Sir. In their leaflet on how to create a drought-proof garden ("Pave over lawns, water company tells garden-

The benefits would include speeding up the adoption of our language as the global lingua franca: and, nearer to home, a substantial reduction in the time and effort expended by children, parents and teachers in mastering

with no help from us. My mother-inlaw learnt to drive her electric wheelchair on its apparently dead surface does not matter - but conserving

and social development. If we founders of the English language do not take the initiative in making it orthographic, like Finnish and German, others, the Americans for example, will do it for us, and we will have no alternative ultimately but

Dorridge, Solihull, West Midlands. 8 Church Avenue. Sneyd Park, Bristol.

From Dr Paul Crawford Walker

Sir, Reforming the spelling of English (Philip Howard's article, May 3) would indeed be a fitting way to mark

the new millennium.

reading and writing. This time could then be applied with great advantage to better equipping our children in numeracy, science comprehension and personal

to adopt whatever system they devise.

Yours sincerely. PAUL CRAWFORD WALKER. May 4.

dio and hugely admired what I have seen of the others' work. The theatre is indeed the place to be, and it's wonderful to see a vital cultural movement given proper attention. However, his statement that "British dramatists in the two decades after 1956 had spawned few successors worth as much as a mention" bears no examination.

Players in British

Sir, Benedict Nightingale's welcome

account of British dramatists (Ten

with the playwright stuff", Arts, May 1; see also leading article, May 9) left

I directed Simon Bent's plays at the

Bush Theatre and the National's Stu-

me with rather mixed feelings.

arts renaissance

From Mr Paul Miller

A generation of writers in the 1980s were squeezed out of the dialogue between critics and directors which characterised the period. This led to mass-production of that type of revival over which the directorial signature can be seen writ large: it suited some leading directors to promulgate the "no new playwrights" myth.

Perhaps if the more powerful directors then and now had thrown their weight behind writers this spread of talent would not be so apparently dispersed. At least when they end up in television and film they are remunerated for the kind of "script development" which, paradoxically, the theatre has taken to apeing.

The number of talented women produced at this time - among them, Sharman Macdonald, Winsome Pinnock and Timberlake Wertenbaker is particularly interesting when set against Benedict Nightingale's rather laddish team.

The big test for the theatre and critics alike is whether this latest group will be allowed to remain where The Times, commendably, has put them — right at the centre of things.

Yours faithfully, PAUL MILLER, 8 West Lawrence Street, SW3. May 3.

From Director Arts of

the British Council Sir, Your leader of May 9 cogently makes the point about a renaissance in Britain's arts. Last year the British Council promoted more than 2,000 arts events overseas, mostly involving new British work being presented for

the first time. Many of the artists you mentioned from James MacMillan to Rachel Whiteread and Damien Hirst - have freshes overseas perceptions of Britain, enhances the reputation of the artists concerned and contributes directly to our political and trade rela-

As the UK's leading presenter of British culture overseas, the Council harnesses resources from public and private sector partners which are many times greater than its own arts

when the creativity of Britain's arts is internationally recognised, the British Council should be facing cuts of 16 per

Yours faithfully, JOHN TOD. Director Arts. The British Council, May 9.

Labour in Croydon

From the Leader of Croydon Council Sir, I was amused by the implication in your report of May I (News in Brief. later editions) that my newly assumed leadership of this council represents a left-wing takeover.

My background is in multinational marketing and in running my own small business, and I am a committed supporter of New Labour. Under my leadership Labour in Crovdon will continue to mean quality, efficiency and partnership from an authority at the forefront of local government innovation.

Yours faithfully GERAINT DAVIES, Leader, Croydon Council, The Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon, Surrey.

crease their income - all at my ex-

Yours faithfully, Standalane House. Kincardine. Alloa, Clackmannan. May 10.

It's a cover-up From Mr P. H. Knight

Walk Shorts, Swimshorts and Vest

Yours faithfully, PETER KNIGHT.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE May II: The Princess Royal, Pa-tron, Northern Lighthouse Board, today visited Fair Isle North and South Lighthouses on board MV Fingal and was received by Mr Ian Fraser (Deputy Lieutenant of Shetland).

KENSINGTON PALACE May II: The Duke of Gloucester attended a huncheon given by Senator Clairborne Pell at 3485 Prospect Street, Georgetown, Washington DC.

in the afternoon His Royal Highness was present at the Inauguration of the Priory of the Order of St John in the United States of America at Washington

Birthdays today

Sir Crispin Agnew of Lochnaw, explorer and herald, 52: Mr Dirk Aldous, Chief Constable, Dorset, 52; Mr W.A. Allen, deputy director, monetary analysis, Bank of England, 47; Miss Bea Arthur, actress. 71: Sir John Cope, MP, 59; Miss Elleen Diss, theatrical designer 65; Mr M.W.R. Dobson. group chief executive, Morgan Grenfell Group, 44; Lord Dormer, 76; Mr Robert Earnshaw, racehorse trainer, 37; Mr Peter Gabriel, singer, 46: General John Galvin. former Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, 67; Dr Jane Glover, conductor, 47; Sir John Habakkuk, former Principal, Jesus College, Oxford, 81; Mr Anthony Hide, racehorse trainer, 57: Sir John Johnston, diplomat, 78: Mr Harvey Keitel, actor, 57: Sir Laurence Kirwan, archaeologist, 89; the Earl of Leven and Melville, 72: Sir Sydney Lipworth, former chairman, Monopolies and Mergers Commission, 65; Mr Richard Madeley, broadcaster, 40; Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara, former Prime Minister of Fiji, 76; Sir Ronald Miller, company chairman, 59; Sir Paul Osmond, civil servant, 79; the Earl of Perth, 89; Mr Tim Pigott-Smith, actor, 50; Sir Alfred Pugsley, civil engineer, 93; Mr Alan Rayfield, former Governor, Long Lartin prison, 60; Miss Selina Scott. broadcaster, 45; Miss Helen Sharman, astronaut, 33; Sir Conrad Swan; genealogist, 72; Marquess Townshend, 80; Sir William Utting, former Chief Inspector, Social Services Inspectorate, 65; Miss Zoë Wanamaker. actress, 47; Mr Stevie Wonder,

Patron, Northern Lighthouse Board, today visited Copinsay Lighthouse on board MV Fingal. Today's royal

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

In the evening The Duke of Gloucester attended a Reception and Dinner at Union Station, Washington DC, to celebrate the Inauguration of the Priory.

May II: The Duke of Kent,

President, accompanied by The Duchess of Kent, this afternoon attended the Football Association's

Challenge Cup Final, Wembley Stadium, Wembley, Middlesex.

May 12: The Princess Royal,

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

engagements The Duke of Edinburgh will visit the Windsor and Maidenhead District Sports Association for the Disabled and open a new extension to the clubhouse at Braywick Sports Ground, Maidenhead, at 3.30; and, as President and Honor-ary Life Fellow of the Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce, will attend a reception to launch the William Shipley Appeal at St James's Palace at 7. The Princess of Wales, as Patron of the International Spinal Research Trust, attends the send-off of Push 2000 at Kensington Palace at Ham. The Duke of Kent, as Vice-Chairman of the British Overseas

Trade Board, will visit Automotive

Products, Tachbrook Road, Leam-

ington Spa. at 10.45; will visit

Valley, Rugby, at 12.05; and will open the new School House, Rugby School, Rugby, at I.

Memorial service

Mr Simon Nowell-Smith A service to commemorate the life of Mr Simon Nowell-Smith, writer, collector and librarian, was held on Saturday in New College Chapel, Oxford. The Rev Dr Robert Harnish officiated.

Mrs Elizabeth Campbell, daughter, read the lesson. Sir Charles Chadwyck-Healey read from William Penn's The Comfort of Friends and Mr John Nowell-Smith, son, read Thomas Hardy's poem, Afterwards. Dr Julian Roberts, Deputy Librarian of the Bod-leian Library, Professor William Fredeman and Mr Geoffrey Now-

Nature notes

REDSTARTS are singing in the oak trees of the West Country: they deliver a short snatch of song, like a robin that keeps starting and never finishes. The male has a jetblack mask, a red breast and a red tail.

Tree pipits are singing and displaying on heaths and woodland edges: they make a few rippling notes as they fly up into the air from a tall tree, then a richer burst of notes as they parachute down again. In starlings' nests, the young are starting to make loud churring calls, and both parents fly frantically to and

fro collecting food for them. The flowers of May are slowly beginning to open. The bright pink flowers and hairy leaves of red campion are appearing under the bedges, alongside the smaller pink flowers of herb-robert. In ditches, the hooded



The redstart: singer in the oak trees

spikes of cuckoo-pint are unfurling among the leaves, which are like glossy green arrowheads. Where streams run through damp woods, marsh marigolds spread out in brilliant yellow carpets on either side under the trees. Orange-tip butterflies are out in the meadows: their wingtips look as if they have been dipped in orange squash. DJM



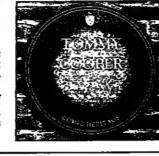
Gwen Cooper, Tommy Cooper's widow, wearing his trademark fez, jokes with Norman Wisdom after he unveiled a blue plaque to the comic magician's memory

Comic hero recalled

THE comic magician Tom-my Cooper and his place in the public's hearts, were recalled yesterday when a blue plaque was unveiled at Teddington Studios, southwest London, where Cooper, with his shambling gait, failed

tricks, fez and catchphrase "Just like that", filmed most of his television work. Cooper died, aged 62, in 1984.

In Birmingham a statue of the comedian Tony Hancock was unveiled at the city's blood transfusion centre.



In praise of Guy's nurses

BY TIM JONES

SOME of the last nurses trained at Guy's Hospital School of Nursing in London were among the congregation who attended a service of thanksgiving to Guy's nurses at Southwark Cathedral on Saturday.

The service paid tribute to the kindness and dedication of thousands of nurses who have passed through the doors of the school since it was opened in 1880. In its early days last century the food was rough and hours were long. A trainee nurse was expected to work tenhour day shifts or 12-hour night shifts. Nurses would be taught only in the wards;

there was nowhere else. The school became part of a new training college, the Nightin-gale Institute, when Guy's merged with St Thomas' Hos-pital in 1993.

Canon Helen Cunliffe, Canon Pastor, welcomed 1,200 people from all over the country who had travelled to show their appreciation and express their thanks to the work of the nurses through the decades.

Staff Nurse Laura Jenkins, who had received her coveted Guy's Badge on Friday, gave a Bible reading from Ecclesiasticus, Chapter 44, verses 1-15 which begins: "Let us now praise famous men, the fathers of our people in the generations." When Ms Jenfollowing in the steps of her mother, who trained there in the late 1960s.

The address was given by the Very Rev Colin Slee, Provost of Southwark, and his remarks were followed by a period of silence for reflection. Prayers were said by the Rev Neville Smith, Chaplain of Guy's Hospital.

A reading from Matron of Guy's by Emily E.P. MacManus, was read by Miss Audrey E Crump, who completed her training at Guy's in 1947.

The service ended with The Guy's Prayer: "Bless, O Lord, all who have gone from this place to work in many different parts of the world."

Appointments

Latest appointments include: Mr John Neligan and Mr Richard Price to be Circuit Judges, assigned to the Western Circuit.

Mr S. Michael D. Brown to be a mber of the Council on Tribunals for three years from May I. Mr David Stephen, Principal Officer of the Executive Office of the United Nations Secretary-General, to be Director of the UN Verification Mission

Knighthoods

The honour of knighthood is to be conferred on Mr Roger Grenfell Toulson, QC, and Mr Robert Franklyn Nelson, QC, on their appointment as Justices of the High Court.

Luncheon

English-Speaking Union
Mrs Valerie Mitchell, DirectorGeneral of the English-Speaking
Union, received the guests at a luncheon given by the union at St Paul's Girls' School on Saturday before the national final of The Observer-ESU Schools Public Speaking Competition. In the evening Baroness Brigstocke, Chairman of the English-Speaking Union of the Commonwealth, received the competition judges and guests at dinner at St Paul's Girls' School.

Service dinners

The Waggon Club Major-General W. Bate. President of the Waggon Club, presided at a twenty-fifth armiversary annual meeting and members' dinner night of the club held on Saturday

at Prince William of Gloucester Barracks, Grantham, Lincoln-Chief of Staff HQ RLC TA, was the principal guest. Major-General A.F.J. Elmslie and Major-General V.H.J. · Carpenter were among

The Middlesex Regiment (DCO) Brigadier B.A.M. Pielow presided the annual dinner Middlesex Regiment (Duke of Cambridge's Own) Officers' Club held on Saturday at the Naval and Military Club.

No 16 Squadron RPC and RAF

Association Air Vice-Marshal R.H. Goodall, rman of No 16 Squadron RFC and RAF Association, and Mrs Goodall received the guests at the annual reunion dinner held on Saturday at the RAF Club, Picca-

Viscount Folkestone and Miss A.M. Stanford

Holocaust

Museum

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history of

A NEW permanent exhibition on the Holocaust, which Churchill called "the most horrible crime committed in the whole history of the world", will open in 1999 at the Imperial War Museum in London.

The 1,400 square metres of display space on two floors will occupy part of the third and final stage of the museum's extension, at present being designed by Arup Asso-ciates and expected to cost more than £13 million. It will provide visiting students with a full narrative account of the tragedy, which is now on the national schools curriculum.

The story will begin with the Weimar Republic and the rise of Nazism, and go on to describe anti-Jewish measures in Hitler's Germany; prewar attempts by Jews to emigrate; war and internment: the extermination camps; resistance, including the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising; and the eventual liberation of the camps and the exposure of the horrors to the world. The question of whether more could have been done to save the Jews will also

be explored.

The exhibits will include much original film footage and, it is hoped, one of the railway cars used in the deportations. There will also be documents, posters, cartoons, paintings, pamphlets and newspapers, many of which have not been on display in Britain before. Visitors will be able to inspect contemporary maps, passports and visas, high-level official correspondence relating to the situation in occupied Europe.

In a message to the museum the Prime Minister described the Holocaust as an event of unparalleled evil. There were still many survivors in Britain; their testimonies would be

part of the exhibition's strength, John Major said. Among the exhibition's pa-trons are Lord Bullock, a leading historian of the Holocaust. the Archbishop of Canterbury. Dr George Carey, and his pre-decessor, Lord Runcie. Card-inal Basil Home, Archbishop of Westminster, Lord Jakobovits, the former Chief Rabbi. and the present Chief Rabbi Dr Jonathan Sacks, Lord Rothschild, Lord Sainsbury and Lord Weidenfeld.

Abberley Hall

The School is holding an Old Boys' Day on June 15. Any Old Boy who has not yet received an invitation is ed to contact the School. In July John Walker, at present headmaster of Bramcote School in Scarborough, and his wife Janie take over from Michael and Mary Haggard, who are retiring after 22

Rannies is closing in July 1996. A reunion for former staff and students will be held at the Selfridge Hotel in London on Saturday, June 22, at noon. To reserve a place send a cheque payable to ECFF for £16 together with your name and year of attendance and a SAE. Numbers are limited. Eastbourne College of Food and Fashion, I Silverdale Road, Eastbourne, East

Marriages

and Miss A.M. Stanford
The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St
Etheldreda, Guilsborough, Northampton, of Viscount Folkestone,
eldest son of the Earl of Radnor
and of Lady Cox. to Miss Melissa
Company of Miss Melissa Stanford, daughter of Mr and Mrs James Stanford, Canon William Gibbs officiated.

Gibbs officialed.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Jake Goedhuis, India Rose Smith, Thomas Lorimer, Grace Carter, Ludo Watson, Kitty Paulkner and Jamie, Clare and Lara Pleydell-Bouverie. Mr Angus

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Dr C.D. Arden

and Miss N.J.P. Clarke The marriage took place on Sat-urday at the Church of St Nicholas, Old Shoreham, West Sussex, of Dr Christopher Arden, younger son of the Right Rev Donald and Mrs Arden, of Pinner, Middlesex, to Miss Nadine Clarke, only daughter of Commander and Mrs David Clarke, of Seven Kings, Essex. The Right Rev Donald Arden, father of the bridegroom,

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was at-tended by Harriet Crofton, Miss Elizabeth Dack, Miss Deborah Ruwald, Miss Charlotte Alsop and Miss Clare Halsey. Mr Bazil Arden was best man.

A reception was held at The inn. Barcombe, Lewes, and the honeymoon will be spent in San Francisco.

Mr J.J. Jardine Paterson and Miss A.J.C. Ryan

The marriage took place on Sat-urday in the Royal Memorial Chapel, RMA Sandhurst, of Mr Jonathan Jardine Paterson, son of Sir John and Lady Jardine Paterson, of Norton Bayant, Wiltshire, to Miss Amanda Ryan, daughter of Major-General and Mrs Denis Ryan, of Ratlinghope, Shropshire. The Rev Alistair Heagerty

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was at-tended by George Bennett, Laura Clifton-Brown, Nicholas Gaisman, Hamish Grant, William Howes and Edwina Wright. Mr Dominic Griffith was best man.

A reception was held in the Indian Army Memorial Room and the honeymoon will be spent

Anniversaries today

BIRTHS: Dante Alighieri, poet, Florence, 1265; Alphonse Daudet, writer, Nimes, 1840; Sir Arthur Sullivan, composer, London, 1842; Sir Frank Brangwyn, painter, Bruges, 1867; Sir Ronald Ross, bacteriologist, Nobel laureate 1902, Almora, India, 1857; Georges Brange, Cubiet, Argentauli, Braque, Cubist, Argenteuil, France, 1882; Daphne Du Maurier, novelist, London, 1907; Joe Louis, world heavyweight boxing cham-pion 1937-49, Lexington, Alabama, 1914.

zoologist and statesman, Paris. 1832; John Nash, architect, Cowes, 1835; Sholom Aleichem (Solomon J Rabinowitz), Yiddish and Hebrew writer. New York, 1916: Alfred Milner, Viscount Milner, imperialist, Sturry Court, near Canter-bury, 1925; Fridtjof Nansen, Norwegian explorer and states-man, Nobel Peace laureate, 1922, Lysaker, Norway, 1930; Frances Hodgkins, artist, Dorchester, 1947; Gary Cooper, actor, Los Angeles,

1961. The first permanent English settle-ment in America was established at Jamestown, Virginia, 1607. The German economy totally col-

Italian and German forces in Africa surrendered, 1943.

and Miss L.V. Scraggs The marriage took place on Saturday, May II, 1996, at the London Oratory, between Mr Peter James Fairchild, son of Mr and Mrs Peter rairchild, son of Mr and Mrs Peer Fairchild, of Fulham, London, and Miss Lesli Veronica Scraggs, daughter of Mr and Mrs Mathew Paul Scraggs, of Netherton Green. Liverpool

Mr.J.J.P. Nunan and Miss C.G. Farrer-Brown The marriage took place on May 4, 1996, at St Mary's Church, Wargrave, between Mr Jerome Nunan and Miss Catherine

A reception was held at Phyllis Court, Henley-on-Thames.

Mr P. O'Reilly-Hyland and Miss J. Wyser-Pratte

The marriage took place on Sat-urday, May II, at the Chapel of the Convent of the Sacred Heart. New York, between Paul, younger son of Mr and Mrs Kenneth O'Reillyof Mr and Mrs Retitlett O Kealy-Hyland, of Tipperary, Ireland, and Joelle, elder daughter of Mr Guy Wyser-Pratte, of New York City, and Mrs Heather Wyser-Pratte, of Palm Beach, Florida, Father Denis

Delancy officiated.
The bride was given in marriage by her father. Mr Kenneth O'Reilly-Hyland II, brother of the groom, was best man.

A reception was held at the Metropolitan Club and the honey-moon will be in Botswana.

Mr R.M. Whitworth and Miss J.R. Hucker

The marriage took place quietly on Saturday. May 11, 1996, at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Milford, Surrey, between Mr Robin Michael Whitworth and Miss Joanna Richenda Hucker.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr G.C. Burke and Miss N. March

The engagement is announced between Gavin, son of Mr and Mrs M. Burke, of Maldon, Essex. and Naomi, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Richmond and Gordon, of Molecomb, Goodwood, Sussex.

Mr H.J. Pitesse and Miss E.M.A. Noci

The engagement is announced between Henry, eldest son of Lieutenant Colonel Hugh Pitman and Mrs Andrew Parker Bowles, and Elizabeth, only daughter of the Hon Gerard and Mrs Noel.

BIRTHS: Dante Alighieri, poet, 3.9.96

DEATHS: Baron Georges Cuvier,

Pope John Paul II survived assassination attempt by a Turkish gunman in St Peter's Square, 1981.

Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy and Royal Marines COMMANDER: S Bevan to Staff of 2SL/CNH 15.11.96; P D Hudson to JHQ Wilson 20.5.96; R A Marshall to Staff of POST 8.11.96; R E Potherary to Staff of FOSF 19.7.96; A J Rix to Staff of FOSF 20.9.96. SURGEON COMMANDER (D): C

R Priestland to exchange Army, LOCAL LIEUTENANT-COLONEL J S Baxter to Drake, 18.10.96; V N Rowe to S Africa 23.8.96.

Retirements LOCAL LIEUENANT-COLONEL: A C1 Smith, 12.7,96. COMMANDER: D Cartildge,

20.7.96; J K Dobson, 3.8.96; A G Hamilton, 1.8.96; J Hartley, 1.8.96; R H C Simpson, 27.7.96. MAJOR: H H Player, 24.7.96. The Arms MAJOR GENERAL: T J Sullivan to be COS HO ARRC, 17.5.96

BRIGADIER: C R WATT to be Director ASC, 13.5.96. Retirements A Dean, late RA CH D, 18.5.96.

COLONELS: A J G Wight, late WG, 16.5.96.

Royal Air Force GROUP CAPTAIN: R M Thomas to RAF Linton-on-Ouse, 16.5.96; T P Brewer to HQLC, 13.5.96. WING COMMANDER: G K Wishart to HOLC London, 6.596; B D Harvey to RAF Coltishall, 7.5.96; D P Thow to HQLC London, 7.5.96; A S

Humphries to HQLC Brampton,

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BUNGER - To Captato and Mrs B J Bunker, a son, Antony William Malthew Bunker, on Saturday 4th May 1996, Canona Hospital May 1996, Camona: Hong Kong, Long Kong, Con Srd Iday, to Plers and Josepa (née Goot), a daughter, Santra Astey, a sister for issbella and Altred. WWWAMI — On May 10th, to Venetia (née Turner) and Jamie, a daughter, Charlotte Elisabeth Countaine.

DEATHS

RIETHS

Tuesday 14th May at Headon Crematorium at 3.50 pm.
EDWICKER - On 4th May.
EUWICKER - On Menda and father of Michael. Private service on Tuesday 14th May. Flowers to Could a Chapman. Headley Road.
Grayshott. Hindhand.
Grayshott. Hindhand.
Surrey. tel: (01428) 604436.
HALPERM - On May 5th.
EUMICKER years, Er Meior 4th Gericha Riffies, Now reumbad with Lans, Loving father of Ann Robinson, Seeily missed by all the family. Funeral Service at Southampton Crematorium. Thursday May 16th. If desired donations for Counties Mounthathen House may be sent to Juo. Suel & Son, 163 Hursley Roud, Chandlers Ford, Hants SOSS 1JH.

COATS - Tim, peacefully on May 9th aged 69, at The Royal Marsden Hospital, London, Private Family Funeral at his own request. Donations, it desired, by The Horder Ward at The Royal Marsden Hospital. COLIMAN - Basil Douglas. Finchley Nurseries, Mill Hill, on May 9th, Much loved husband, father and grandfather. Funeral Tuesday 14th May at Hendon Cremstorium at 3.20 pm.

HAWLEY - Faith Marion of Vine Cottage, Beckford. Towkesbury, Gloucestershire and lately of Bodenham, Salisbury on May 9th 1996. Widow of William George Broughton Hawley, Inother of Anne, Anthony and the late Francis. Thanksgiving Service on Acunsion Day, May 16th at 2pm at 8t. Andrew's Church, Nanton, Salisbury, Donafloos Instead of flowers to Worldwide Fund for Nature, Panda House, Weyside Park, Godalming, Surray, GU7 13CR. LEE - Pater Lemma aged 59 years peacefully at How Caple. Herefordshire, beloved husband of Hilda and father of Alexandra. Georgian and Roger, Funeral service at How Cupie Church on Thursday May 16th at 2nn. No flowers, donations to Marie Curie Cancer Care Narsing, 31 Potier Street, Stratturd-Upon-Avon, CVS7 (St)

DEATHS

MITCHELL - Edmund John Ambrose, peacetaily on 8th May 1996, aged 79 years, Devoted husband to Elsem, loved brother of Defrite, Pat. Molly and Jamie, Pranaral Service at 8t Edwards Church Kaymar on Wednesday 22nd May at 11.30 am to be followed by Interment, Flowers may be sent to Frank Devey & Co., 31 High Street, Hurstylerpoint, W.St. EM6 91T. Tel: (01273) 832179.

PORDAGE - Ernest George on 10th May 1996 pencefully in his sleep. Enquiries to Chelses Funetal Directors. bit: (0171) 382-0008. malinger - Robin, died peacefully at home on May 9th 1996, much loved hostend of lone and a great friend to many people. The function service will be at Golder's Green creastorium. The West Chapel, on Weinesday, 15th May 1996. SALINGER - Robin, die

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DEATHS

TORRANCS - Christopher Hugh, on May 8th, peacefully in heapital, surrounded by his family. Most dearly loved hushand of Elleen, deavest father of Philippe and Rosy and Sonin-Law Richard. A very dear brother and devoted grandfather to his four grandsughters. Headmaker Hillstone School, Malwern, 1962-1985, Funeral Service at St. Mary's. Bishopes Frome, on Thursday 16th May at 2.30 pm, family flowers only. MEMORIAL SERVICES

MRD - The memorial service will be held for Minah Bird at The Methodist Church Westmineter Cantral Hell. London SW1 on Thursday 30th May 1936 at 12 soon. IN MEMORIAM -PRIVATE

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Herbert Brownell Jr. Attorney-General in the Eisenhower Administration, 1953-57, died in Manhattan on May I aged 92. He was born in Peru, Nebraska, on February 20, 1904.

THERE were two apparently contradictory aspects to Herbert Brownell. who at one time was arguably second only to President Dwight D. Eisenhower in the range and scope of his influence on American life. By one account, he was an anti-Left crusader of McCarthyite proportions, pledged to "destroy utterly" all Communist Party activity in the United States. By the other, he was an outspoken advocate of civil rights who did much to ensure the desegregation of the Deep South. Fortunately for the civil rights struggle, this second aspect of Brownell was not in evidence when Eisenhower, then President-elect, chose him to be his first Attorney-General in November 1952.

Herbert Brownell was the son of a professor of science at the University of Nebraska, where he too later studied. He grew up in a Methodist household of genteel poverty but formidable intellectual energy — all seven children did remarkably well at university. Politics was Brownell's chief interest as a boy — one apocryphal story described him briefing his own parents on how to vote before they went to the polls. But he was also president of the debating society and toyed with the idea of becoming a journalist, editing the newspaper at Lincoln High School.

Brownell became seriously immersed in Republican politics soon after his graduation from Yale University Law School, and while he was working for a law firm in New York, Lord Day & Lord. He was a member of the New York State Assembly from 1932 to 1937. But after five years, with a young family to support, he decided to quit the legislature to spend more time on the law practice which he felt he had

in 1942 he returned to politics to manage the campaign of his old political friend Thomas E. Dewey for the governorship of New York. The result was that New York got a Republican Governor, after almost two decades of Democratic governorship. Less successfully, he managed Dewey's presidential campaigns in 1944 948. As chairman of the Republican National Committee during 1944-45, he worked on reorganising the party.

In March 1952 Brownell was brought to Eisenshower's attention by various mutual admirers, including Dewey, for the job of campaign manager. Brownell was not at all sure that he was the right man - particularly after Dewey's two defeats — and he a suspected Soviet spy — Harry Dexter

HERBERT BROWNELL



was additionally worried that Eisenhower, for all his qualities as a soldier and statesman, might not be sufficiently politically sophisticated to control factions of the Republican Party.

They met in Paris for two days of talks, and Brownell returned convinced that, if Eisenhower had areas of ignorance, they could be filled in fast, and that furthermore the general had the necessary equanimity to do the job. Brownell went on to play a crucial backstage advisory role in the cam-paign — it was said that Eisenhower had more confidence in his political advice than in that of anyone else.

It was at Brownell's urging that Eisenhower selected Richard Nixon as his running-mate. Rewarded with the post of Attorney-General, Brownell became a key member of the Eisenhower Cabinet. He was soon generating controversy by implicating former President Truman in the protection of

decisions in civil rights cases, led by that of Brown v Board of Education in 1954 which barred racial segregation in public schools. This was not quite what Eisenhower had had in mind when he appointed Warren to the court but it was very much to the liking of Brownell, who proceeded to engineer the appointment of a series of strongwilled independent judges to the Southern courts to implement the Supreme Court rulings.

In 1957 Brownell proposed a new civil rights Bill. Though it was considerably watered down before being passed by Congress, it was still the first legislation of its kind to be enacted since Reconstruction.

Brownell was a persuasive man, a canny tactician and a formidable advocate. Fighting him, an opponent once said, was "like wrestling with a cloud". He would sit slumped in his chair at political conferences, and when he spoke did so quietly. His judgment was delivered in the measured tones of the lawyer summing up a knotty case before a jury.

He used the intellectual superiority he undoubtedly enjoyed over Eisenhower on one further occasion: to convince him that he should send in federal troops to resolve the school segregation crisis in Little Rock. Arkansas. But Brownell had now become an Attorney-General more insistent on integration than the President wanted; and, more threateningly, he had become a roadblock in the way of the Republican drive to gain support in the South. When he offered his resignation just one month after the Little Rock incident, Eisenhower accepted it without protest.

Brownell then returned to his old law firm in New York which he had joined as a young man of 28. He almost went back into public service in 1969 when Richard Nixon became President. In return perhaps for his part in the launching of his own career, the new President wanted to make Brownell Chief Justice.

But memories in American politics are long and when it became clear that a group of Southern senators would fight the nomination tooth-and-nail. Brownell made it clear that at the age of 65 he had no heart for such a battle. The post went instead to a significantly less well-known figure, Warren Burger, at the time a judge in the US Court of Appeals in Washington. He was to remain Chief Justice of the United States until 1986.

Herbert Brownell was a devoted family man. He met his wife Doris at a Methodist church dance in New York in 1933 and married her the following year. She died in 1979. Brownell's subsequent marriage in 1987 was brief and ended in divorce. He is survived by two sons and two daughters.

GARTH WILLIAMS

Garth Williams, book illustrator, died in Guanajuato, Mexico, on May 8 aged 84. He was born in New York in 1911.

THE artist who perhaps did more than any other to squash children's squeamishness of spiders, Garth Williams was the illustrator of the nursery classic Charlotte's Web. For generations of children, Charlotte, the tender-hearted spider and the runt-piglet Wilbur whom she befriends and saves, will always be remembered just as Williams imagined them. Believing that the youn

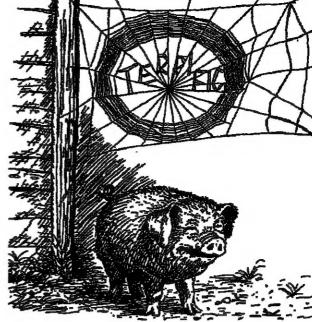
were profoundly influenced by

the books which they read, Williams used his illustrations to try to "awaken something of importance...humour, responsibility, respect for others, interest in the world at large". E. B. White's Charlotte Webb provided him with ideal material and his drawings, innocent but precise, were in perfect harmony with this amusing, compassionate tale. While his renderings of such farmyard characters as Templeton the gluttonous rat were cheeringly comic there were sadder moments. The illustration in which Charlotte's myriad of spiderlets hatch and drift away on their parachutes of silk leaving Wilbur the pig forlorn below. remains in most nursery books spotted with children's

Among other books which Williams illustrated was The Little House on the Prairie and its sequels. His drawings evoke the essence of Laura Ingails Wilder's calico-clad family, romping through meadows and collecting maple syrup as they pursued their lives of moral adventure. He also wrote seven children's books himself. However, it was primarily as an illustrator that he was known, cherished for his heartwarming vision of a world of bears and elves. kittens and crickets, prancing fairies and plump farmers'

tearstains.

Although born in the city, Garth Williams was brought up on a farm in New Jersey immersed in the rural way of life which he was later to draw upon in his work as an illustrator. He grew up, he said, 'a typical Huckleberry



Finn", roaming bareloot around the countryside. watching the farmer milking the cows by hand. His father was a cartoonist and his mother a landscape painter. In my home everybody was always either painting or drawing," he said, and he too

began to draw at an early age. When his parents moved to England he studied architecture for a short while before changing his mind and becoming a student of painting and sculpture at the Royal Academy of Art. He supported himself after his graduation by taking a job as the headmaster of Luton Art School, but resigned as soon as he won a Prix de Rome. In Italy he concentrated on his work as a sculptor.

During the Second World War he served as a Red Cross ambulance dispatcher in London, but was injured in an air raid. As soon as the war was over he returned to America, where he hoped to find work as a cartoonist. He approached the New Yorker but was rejected. His work was "too wild and too European" for their taste. Some of his smaller drawings, however, appeared in the magazine where they were spotted by Ursula Nordstrom, then children's book editor at Harper and Row. She admired his talent and when shortly afterwards a manuscript from E. B. White arrived with a

note saying "try Garth Williams" pinned to its flysheet. Williams found himself with his first important commission. Published in 1945, this book. Stuart Little, enjoyed such success that Williams durided to become a professional illustrator of children's books. In 1952 he again collaborated with White on Charlotte's Web.

Williams also illustrated works by such writers as Else H. Minarik, Margaret Wise Brown, Russell Hoban, Randall Jarrell and George Selden.

Of the seven books which he himself wrote, one. The Rabbits' Wedding, caused a good deal of controversy. The White Citizens Council in Alabama attacked his vision of a moonlit marriage between a black and a white rabbit, witnessed by the denizens of the woodland world. Williams was accused of promoting racial integration and his book was withdrawn from library circulation in Alahama.

For the last 40 years of his life. Williams returned to the rural life he had relished as a child. He built a farm in Guanajuato and divided his time between it and his home in San Antonio, Texas.

He is survived by his wife Leticia, and by five daughters and a son. His eldest daughter, Fiona, was the model for the little girl Fern in Charlone's Web.

BELA DE CSILLERY

Bela de Csiliery, conductor and music administrator, died on April 17 aged 80. He was born on October 26, 1915.

FOR 21 years Bela de Csillery directed the Kent Youth Orchestra, transforming it into one of the finest such orchestras in the land. It provided a valuable and challenging training ground for hundreds of young musicians, many of whom have subsequently enjoyed successful

As with every youth orchestra, de Csillery would regularly lose a significant proportion of his carefully nurtured talent at the end of each academic year. Yet every new season there would be a fresh crop of young musicians who would be enthused, cajoled, trained — and, if necessary, bullied — into producing the quality of music demanded of them by their Hungarian maestro.

During de Csillery's 21-year reign, the Kent Youth Orchestra, which he founded in 1963, blazed a trail by becoming one of the first youth orchestras to record for the BBC. A number of its broadcasts were released on BBC 2 Records, including the London premiere of Dohnanyi's Second Symphony. In 1970 it represented Britain at Herbert von Karajan's youth orchestra festival in Berlin, along with the young pianist Andrew Haigh. Haigh was one of many of today's professional musicians who were encouraged by de Csillery. Others include the planist John Lill and

the violinist Marcia Crayford. The son of a doctor who firmly opposed the idea of a musical career. Bela de Csillery had nevertheless become an accomplished violinist by the time he entered Budapest University to study law. After completing his legal doctorate, de Csillery studied the violin with Zoltan Kodaly at the Franz Liszt Academy and for a while enjoyed a successful career in Europe as both a soloist and as an orchestral violinist. Among the conduc-



tors he worked with were Felix Weingartner, a prodigy of Franz Liszt,

and Willem Mengelberg.

In 1940, at the age of just 25, de Csillery was appointed music director of the highly acclaimed Budapest Municipal Orchestra (since 1952 the State Symphony Orchestra) but before long he was attracting attention elsewhere as a promising young conductor. Ernest Ansermet, who ormed L'Orchestre de la Suisse Romande in 1918 and directed it for 58 years, spotted de Csillery and invited him to Geneva to be his assistant at a time when the orchestra was at the height of its powers. De Csillery was also offered engagements with orchestras in Munich, Barcelona,

Innsbruck and Turin. He came to England in 1953 to take up a musical position which ultimately fell through. Instead he became Head of Music at Trinity College, Glenalmond, in Tayside through a contact at the Scottish National Orchestra where he was guestconducting. The suppression of the Hungarian uprising by the force of Soviet arms in 1956 discouraged him from returning to Budapest. It was with some relief in 1962 that he accepted an appointment as Kent County Music Adviser. But he was determined not to treat it as a purely administrative post, and within his first 12 months had launched the Kent Youth Orchestra.

White - in his Administration. It was

on Brownell's strong recommendation

in 1953 that Eisenhower rejected pleas for elemency on behalf of Julius and

Ethel Rosenberg, convicted two years

earlier of conspiring to disclose nuclear

secrets to the Soviet Union. The

Rosenbergs were duly executed, and

for the next two years Brownell pressured Congress with demands for

ever more stringent laws against

Communists. These included the death

penalty for peacetime spying as well as

wartime espionage, and compelling

witnesses to testify if granted immuni-

ty from criminal prosecution. Scores of

left-wing organisations were added to

the Attorney-General's list of "subver-

sive groups" - totalling more than 300

influence came in 1953 when, on his

advice, Eisenhower chose Earl Warren

to head the Supreme Court. The result

was a steady stream of landmark

A further example of Brownell's

He was a man of great vitality and emotion. On one occasion, to demonstrate the degree of intensity he wanted from the youth orchestra's string section in a performance of Mahler's Fifth Symphony, de Csillery turned up at a rehearsal with a red heart sewn to the sleeve of his

In addition to his duties at County Hall in Maidstone. de Csillery headed the Kent Junior Music School on Saturday mornings, directed many choral works, con-ducted the Maidstone Symphony Orchestra and created the semi-professional Kent Sinfonia.

Although his position was potentially fraught with political interference, de Csillery's legal training and negotiating skills came in useful throughout his life. At a time when other county musical services saw their budgets cut, his increased - reflecting the way in which the county was placed firmly on the international music map. He retired in 1981 but remained with the youth orchestra for a further three years.

As well as his music, Bela de Csillery

enjoyed the great outdoors. During the 1950s he climbed the Matterhorn and continued mountain climbing long after many would have given up.

Both his wives were outstanding solo violinists. His marriage in 1944 to Johanna Martzy was dissolved 15 years later. He married Gillian Sansom in 1965; she predeceased him three years ago and he is survived by their two sons.

James Russell, garden designer and plantsman, died on April 28 aged 76. He was born on April 3,

COMBINING an encyclopaedic knowledge of plants with an intuitive flair for design, James Russell was the creator of the magnificent arboretum at Castle Howard. Fully documenting all the plants which he nurtured over its sweeping 120-acre landscape, he created not only a tourist attraction but a living library of lasting scientific importance.

James Philip Cuming Russell was educated at Eton. His family hoped that he would enter either the Army or the Diolomatic Service, but he was determined to be a gardener. He gained a place to study botany at Trinity College, Cambridge, but with the outbreak of the Second World War was commissioned into the Hertfordshire Yeomanry. He was invalided out of the

Army in 1943. In 1939 his father together with a distant cousin had jointly purchased the nursery of Standish & Noble, which had been founded in 1847 and was based in Sunningdale. After the war James Russell took up the challenge of managing this nursery. It had long been in decline, but under his care it prospered.

In 1955, with Sacheverell Sitwell, Russell co-authored the first part of Old Garden Roses (a series of illustrated books). He co-authored the second part with Wilfred



JAMES RUSSELL

Blunt, His interest in roses was furthered when, in 1956, he employed the doyen of gardening, Graham Thomas, who added his already famous rose collection to the nursery. Russell expanded the garden design side of the business. This was to lead to his being involved with changes or full developments to more than 200 gardens in the British Isles, as well as other gardens in Italy, France and Belgium.

Rhododendrons were another of Russell's great interests and in 1960 he published Rhododendrons at Sunningdale. This marked a pivotal change in his life. Looking back, he had become bound by historic links to Standish & Noble's fame in raising newly discovered rhododendrons. Sir Joseph Hooker (later director of Kew) sent ed of his Sikkim collections to the nursery in 1849 and by 1854 no fewer than 26 new species had been established from this source. In 1858 the beautiful Rhododendron thompsonii flowered for the first time in Europe. It was the progeny of these plants, along with many later successes of the nursery, that Russell took with him in 1968 (when the nursery was sold) to the unlikely setting of the edge of the

North York Moors. George Howard, of Castle Howard, had invited him to help with the development of the garden as a tourist attraction. Work started with a very large rose garden, concentrating on old varieties, and the 30 married.

acre Ray Wood which was to house the rhododendrons. The rhododendrons flourished. and to them has been added a remarkable collection of temperate forest plants. But this was only a prelude to the development of the 120-acre arboretum. In 1988, Russell realised

another great ambition when he participated in the joint Chinese Academy of Sci-ences / Royal Botanic Garden Kew's expedition to Fanjing Shan, a remote mountain in the province of Guizhou. He thus became one of the first Europeans to see the aged rhododendron forest of this misty limestone peak, and to cultivate its many species, hitherto not seen in the West. Russell also pioneered new

approaches to the landscaping tropical conservatory

In 1981 the Royal Horticultural Society awarded Russell its Gold Veitch Medal and, in 1988 the coveted Victoria Medal of Honour (VMH). There are only ever 63 holders of this award, the full number of years of Queen Victoria's

reign.
Russell's name is permanently commemorated by a new species of Mahonia (M. russellii) which he discovered in the Sierra de Chiconquiaco in Mexico in 1984. But the Castle Howard arboretum was his greatest achievement, and one for which he was still avidly raising plants in his retirement spent in Fife.
James Russell never

Church news

New bishops

The Right Rev Ian Cundy, Suffragan Bishop of Lewes in the diocese of Chichester, is to be Bishop of Peterborough, succeeding the Right Rev William Westwood, who retired on December 28.

Warrington

The Ven John Packer, Archdeacon of West Cumberland, diocese of Carlisle, is to be Suffragan Bishop of Warrington, diocese Liverpool. He succeeds the Right Rev Michael Henshall, who retires in October.

Warwick

Canon Anthony Priddis, Rector of Amersham with Coleshill, diocese of Oxford, is to be Suffragan Bishop of Warwick, diocese of Coventry. He succeeds the Right Rev Clive Handford, Bishop-designate of Cyprus and the Gulf.

Prebendary Richard Cilpin. Di-ocesan Director of Ordinands. Adviser in Vocations, and Sub-Dean of Exeter Cathedral (Exeter). to be Archdeacon of Totnes, same

Other appointments include: The Rev Vivien Ashworth, Hon Assistant Curate, Ingleton w Chapel-le-Dale, to be also half-time Rural Youth Adviser (Bradford). The Rev Joseph Ayok-Loewenberg. Mission Partner, Church Mission Society, to be Priest-in-Charge. sbury and Chidrock

(Salisbury). The Rev Paul Bagshaw, Assistant Curate, St Mary Magdalene, New-ark, Newark Team Ministry, to be Priest-in-Charge, All Hallows, Ordsall, and St Alban's, Retjord

(Southwell). The Rev Justin Bailey. Assistant Curate, Oakdale Team Ministry. to be Priest-in-Charge, Milton Abbas, Hilton with Cheselbourne and Melcombe Horsey (Salisbury).

The Rev Neil Barker, Rector, St Peter, Woodmansterne (Southwark), to be also Mothers' Union Diocesan Chaplain.

The Rev Christopher Barley, Cu-rate, Upton-cum-Chalvey, Slough, to be Team Vicar, Wycombe Team Ministry, responsible for St Anne and St George. Sands (Oxford). The Rev Peter Boulton-Lea, Rector, Kirk Sandall with Edenthorpe, to he Vicar, Campsall, Doncaster, He will resign as Rural Dean of Doncaster (Sheffield).

Canon Paul Bunday, permission to officiate. Chalke Deanery (Salisbury), to be a Canon Emericus of Salisbury Cathedral.

The Rev Ivan Butcher, Curate, Greater Corsham (Bristol), to be Vicar, Overbury with Teddington, Vistone and Little Washbourne w Beckford and Ashton-under-Hill (Worcester). The Rev David Cameron, Curate Guildford Holy Trinity with St Mary, Vicar. Fenion (Lichfield). The Rev Brian Camp, Team Vicar, Halesowen Team Ministry (Worcester), to be Priest-in-Charge, St Giles, Sheldon (Birmingham). The Rev Lois Cater, Curate (NSM). Devizes St John and St Mary, to be Team Vicar (NSM). Alderbury Team Ministry (Salisbury) The Rev Robert Chavner. Curate, St George, Beckenham, to be Minister of the Conventional Distriet of St Luke, Sevenoaks,

Resignations and retirements The Rev Nigel John, Chaplain of Whitelands College (Southwark), to resign on June 30. The Rev Judy Lynas, Assistant Curate, Lytchett Minster (Salisbury), to resign on May 19.

The Rev Kenneth Skipper, Vicar, Landesborough, held with Burnby, Numburnholme and Shiptonthorpe with Hayton (York), to retire on July 2 on health grounds. The Rev Robert Webb, Rector, Heytesbury and Sutton Veny (Salisbury), to retire on July 31.

ON THIS DAY CHALLENGE TO THE SPIRIT

Preaching in Canterbury Cathedral this morning, the Archbishop of Canterbury [Dr Cosmo Lang] made a stirring call to the nation for courage and determination in present dangers.

"The hour has come, it has struck, and with it comes the testing of the nation." he said. "By the invasion of Belgium and Holland, following quickly on the invasion of Denmark and Norway, the ruler of Germans has thrown down a challenge to the peace and freedom of the whole world, and now openly and defiantly to our own land.

"How shall it be met? Let me answer in the words of one of our most trusted statesmen, Lord Halifax, a man who never speaks lightly: We are facing the most dangerous challenge this country has ever had to meet in its history and a challenge which calls for every ounce of energy -- material, intellectual, and spiritual - that this country can summon to its task.' Yes, spiritual for it is the

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With the Nazi invasion of The Netherlands and Belgium the "cold war" ended and Britain faced up to the possibility of invasion.

spirit of the people that must rise to meet the challenge.

"It is on the spirit of the people, their character, qualities, calmness, courage, determination, strength, and clearness of the ultimate ideals, that the issue will depend. In this summons to the spirit of the nation all controversies, personal and political, must be forgotten. All parties and classes must combine and get together." In order to achieve unity in the Government, the Archbishop continued, the former Prime Minister generously surrendered his high office. All of them must think of him with sympathy and gratitude for his great services.

"Let his example be followed. Let the whole nation stand behind the King's Forces, on sea, on land, and in the air with indomitable and undaunted spirit. Might there must be for the defence of right, might as great as could be assembled. Power there must be to overthrow not only dangers but to answer that force which every day showed itself, alike in the ends it sought and in the methods it used, to be essentially evil."

Victory, if it were to be won, would be won finally in the realm of the spirit. Referring to the forces of evil which were overthrowing the freedom of nations and of their peoples, scorning truth, trampling on justice and mercy, and arrayed against everything that we could conceive the Divine will and purpose to be, he asked: "Can we doubt that it is in accordance with that Divine will and purpose that these forces of evil should he resisted and overcome?"

NEWS

University degrees' status at risk

■ A British Ivy League of elite universities is beginning to emerge as foreign governments operate "whitelists" of campuses to which they are prepared to send students.

Four years after the Government uprated polytechnics to create a single higher education system, such lists are combining with developments at home to threaten the equal status traditionally accorded to all degrees...

Crash pilot may have been dead

■ The crew of an ageing DC-9 airliner may have been dead or unconscious before their jet plunged into the Florida Everglades killing all 109 on board, including two British tourists. The pilot for the cut-price domestic airline Valujet told air traffic controllers that the cockpit was filling with smoke minutes after he took off from Miami...

Tax cuts in doubt

Kenneth Clarke has given his toughest warning yet that he may not be able to deliver tax cuts this autumn after claiming that the beef crisis had cost the Government at least El billion Page I

£40m for Albert Hall The Albert Hall, home of the Proms, is expected to receive £40 million of lottery money this week from the Arts Council and the National Heritage Memorial Fund. .. Page 1

Ceasefire signal

Martin McGuinness, Sinn Fein's chief negotiator, signalled that the IRA was considering a renewed ceasefire to allow republicans to join all-party talks onPage 2

Unstinting cat lover

A woman who has devoted the past five years to the welfare of cats in Greece has spent the last of her savings to bring 37 of them back to Britain

Far from the stars

A Cambridge student whose first screenplay has been snapped up is having to sit it out in his digs while his producers promote his work at the Cannes Film Festival Page 5

Pressure for gun laws from senior Conservative MPs to bring forward laws on gun .Page 6

Police ready for fans

Police mounted a massive operation to control 80,000 fans at Saturday's FA Cup Final, determined to avoid trouble at a dress rehearsal for next month's Euro 96 championshipPage 8

Off with their anoraks Affluent rail enthusiasts are shedding their dowdy "anorak" image at a £125-a-night hotel where they can trainspot in pampered . Page 9

Pesticide on trial

Forty British families whose children were born without eyes are awaiting the outcome of a test case in America that will determine whether a garden pesticide caused the deformity in a six-

year-old boy..... Page 10 Refugees find relief Thousands of dying and sick Li-

berian refugees on board a disease-riddled, leaking freighter at last found relief after a week atPage 11

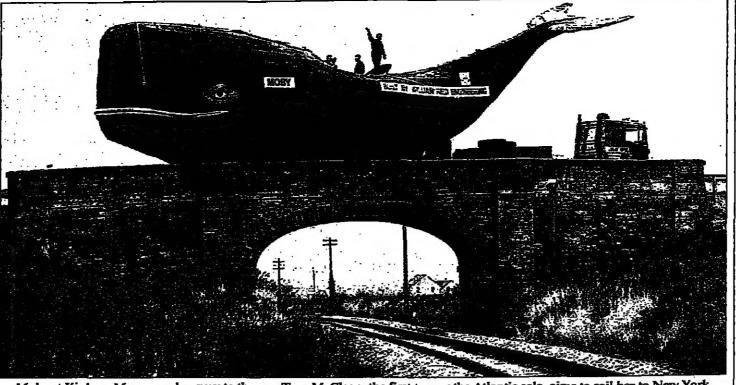
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Moby at Kinloss, Moray, on her way to the sea. Tom McClean, the first to row the Atlantic solo, aims to sail her to New York

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Silicon valley: Koreas's Lucky Goldstar electronics company is poised to announce a El billion investment in South Wales, creating 4,000 jobs ...

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OPINION **Premier divisions**

By encouraging an elite that cleaves to traditional methods, the excellence which attracts students from the world over can best be

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COLUMNS PETER RIDDELL

The framework of a written constitution is being created . . . but there are no clear principles of accountability and no agreement on who should safeguard the new

WILLIAM REES-MOGG

If Ian Hargreaves, the Editor of the New Statesman, succeeds, his magazine will be the arena of intellectu-.... Page 18 al debate MATTHEW PARRIS

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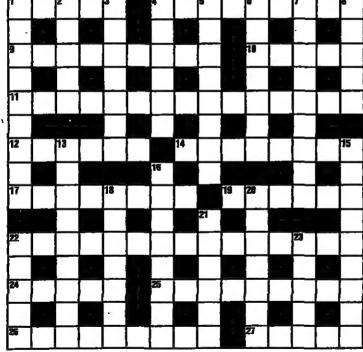
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ACROSS

- 1 Vote with Opposition party (5). 4 Woman alarmed about daughter being rejected (9).
- 9 Laird's new translation accepted by poet (9).
- 10 In a yacht, it's curiously indistinct in outline (5).
- 11 Get involved in single broadcast. and achieve fulfilment? (4.4.4.3).
- 12 Plant a tree on lake (6). 14 Agreed wages for making immobilizing device (3-5).
- 17 Current strength a wise man shows by intervening (8).
- 19 Divers representatives have dismissed leader (b).
- 22 A charm Sarah made? Crazv totally crazy! (3,2,1,5.4). 24 Quiet little mischief-maker - one
- holding up books, perhaps (5). 25 Dark academic dress that's worn
- when retiring (9).

The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 20,165 will appear next Saturday. The five winners will receive a bottle of Aberlour single highland malt whisky.

- 26 Accepting grievance when there's first-class turnround (9).
- 27 Reportedly adapt place for mass production (5).

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(4-5).

- I Headgear produced by graduate taking out call girl (9).
- 2 A European novelist raised in Asian territory (5).
- 3 Neat Scotsman about to be accepted as university member (7).
- 4 Give teacher a note (6). 5 Became blue, having thus pro-
- pelled boat around river (8). 6 Having no purpose, unlike the Archers? (7).
- 7 Lecture given by female Liverpudlian about queen (9). 8 Senior member's longing to sup-
- port party (5). 13 A churchwarden's fanciful hope?
- 15 E.g. a Californian we back with hesitation (9).
- 16 The number one obsession! (8). 18 Composing new composition for
- fluters (7). 20 Child's mother carrying headgear for sage (7).
- 21 Liberal statesman seen on leaving party conference scene (6).
- 22 Scores possibly face it after acting unwisely (5).
- 23 Take in suit in fitting (5).
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FORECAST

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Scotland and Northern Ireland will be rather cloudy with outbreaks of drizzle or light rain in places exposed to the north and west. Winds will be light and variable, becoming mainly southeasterly. Temperatures will be similar to yesterday's with ground frost locally overnight.

London, SE England, E Anglia Central S England, E Midlands, Channel Isles, SW England: early mist clearing, dry with clear or sunny periods. Winds light mainly northwesterly. Maximum temperature 14C

☐ E England, W Midlands, Wales, NW, Central N, NE England: early mist or fog clearing, dry with clear or sunny periods. Winds light mainly northwesterly. Max 13C

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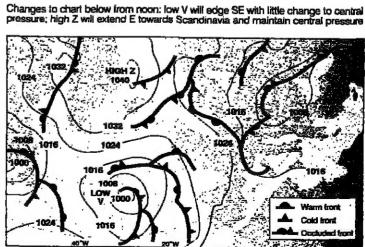
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